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# RECORDS

OF THE

## First Church at Dorchester

IN NEW ENGLAND

1636—1734



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## INTRODUCTION.

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### NOTE.

At a meeting of the First Church, Dorchester, held July, 1888, it was voted to print the first manuscript volume of the Church Records, 1636-1734. The pastor (Rev. C. R. Eliot), Rev. S. J. Barrows, William B. Trask, and the deacons (Henry Humphreys, Hiram Clapp, and Richard C. Humphreys), were appointed a Committee upon editing. The work of transcribing the Records was intrusted to Rev. Charles H. Pope, that of writing the Introduction to Rev. S. J. Barrows and Mr. William B. Trask.





## INTRODUCTION.

THE First Church of Dorchester was formed in England by the great historic forces which sowed the seed of Puritanism on the shores of Massachusetts Bay. The "Mary and John" which brought the first company of our Dorchester settlers was the second of the seventeen ships which sailed from England to America in 1629-30. The one hundred and forty\* emigrants who embarked on this vessel at Plymouth March 20, 1629-30,† were gathered for the most part from Devon, Dorset, and Somersetshire. Before setting sail from England, a church organization was formed with due solemnity, and ministers were chosen. This event is thus described by one of their number, Mr. Roger Clap, in the memoir left for his children:—

"There came many Godly Families in that Ship: We were of Passengers many in number (besides Sea-men) of good Rank: Two of our Magistrates came with us, viz. Mr. Rossiter and Mr. Ludlow. These Godly People resolved to live together; and therefore as they had made choice of those two Revd. Servants of God, Mr. John Warham and Mr. John Maverick to be their Ministers, so they kept a solemn Day of Fasting in the New Hospital in Plymouth in England, spending it in Preaching and Praying: where that worthy Man of God, Mr. John White of Dorchester in Dorset was present, and preached unto us the Word of God, in the fore-part of the Day, and in the latter part of the Day as the people did solemnly make Choice of, and call those godly Ministers to be their Officers, so also the Revd. Mr. Warham and Mr. Maverick did accept thereof, and expressed the same. So we came, by the good Hand of the Lord, through the Deeps comfortably; having Preaching or Expounding of the Word of God every Day for Ten Weeks together, by our Ministers." (Memoirs of Roger Clap, p. 39.)

\* John White says: "There passed away about 140 persons out of the western parts from Plimmouth." (Force's Tracts: Vol. II. John White's "Planter's Plea," p. 35.) Winthrop, writing to his wife from aboard the "Arbella," March 23, 1630, says, "The ship which went from Plimouth carried about 140 persons." (Savage's "Winthrop," 1st Ed. 1825. p. 368.)

† The dates throughout are given in old style.

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The "Mary and John" arrived at Nantasket May 30, 1630. A few days later the passengers had effected a settlement at Dorchester, being thus about a month earlier than the rest of the Winthrop Colony. On June 6, the first Sunday after the landing, services of gratitude and praise were held under the open sky.\* And this day, which commemorates the planting in the wilderness of the church organized in Plymouth, England, is coincident also with the settlement of the town.

It is not possible to make a complete list of the passengers of the "Mary and John." Nor is it possible to give the names of those who constituted the first membership of the church on its organization in England or on its establishment in Dorchester. Prior to 1636 no records of the church are extant. Such names of the first church members as can be discovered must be gathered from other sources.

The records of the town begin Jan. 16, 1632-33.† Two missing leaves probably contained its proceedings from 1630. A list of the male settlers of the town, whose names appear scattered through its pages prior to Aug. 23, 1636, comprises one hundred and forty-five names. Of these many came in 1633 on a ship from Weymouth, England, which brought about eighty passengers, who, Winthrop ‡ says, settled at Dorchester. It is not easy always to distinguish the settlers of 1630 mentioned on the town records from those of 1633 or later dates, nor is it possible to say with absolute certainty who of these were church members. The date of application for freemanship is a partial guide, since, after May 18, 1631, persons who became freemen of Massachusetts Bay Colony were required to be members of a church. The order requiring this was passed at a General Court held at Boston on the date above and reads "& to the end the body of the comons may be p'served of honest & good men, it was likewise ordered and agreed that for time to come noe man shalbe admitted to the freedome of this body politticke, but such as are members of some of the churches within the lymitts of the same."

Among the first group of men who applied for this privilege Oct. 19, 1630, seven months before the passage of this order, are

\* Discourse of Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D.D., July 4, 1830, p. 8.

† There are three earlier entries, one dated January 21. It is uncertain whether this is 1631-2 or 1632-3.

‡ Savage's "Winthrop," 1st Ed. p. 105.



thirteen names of Dorchester people. Five of these names — John Crabb, Christopher Gibson, Mr. Ralph Glover, Mr. Richard Southcoate, and Mr. Thomas Southcoate — are not entered subsequently as having taken the oath, but the name of Gibson occurs later on the church records. After the passage of the order referred to, it is safe and, indeed, necessary to assume that all those made freemen were members of the church.

LIST OF THOSE MADE FREEMEN FROM MAY 18, 1631, TO DATE  
OF CHURCH RECORDS, AUG. 23, 1636.

Benham, John	-Gunn, Thomas	Phillips, John
Branker, Mr. John	Hart, Edmund	Pomeroy, Eltweed
Capen, Bernard	Hatch, Thomas	Pope, John
Capen, John	Hathorne, William	Randall, Philip
Carter, Joshua	Hayden, John	* Rawlins, Thomas
Clap, Roger	Holcomb, Thomas	Read, William
Clarke, Joseph	Hosford, William	Rockwell, William
Clement, Augustine	* Hoskins, John	Rossiter, Bray
Cogan, Mr. John	Hoyt, Simon	Sension, Matthias or Matthew
Collacott, Richard	Hulbert, William	Smith, John
Cooke, Aaron	Hull, George	Smith, Henry
Deeble, Robert	Hull, John	Southcoate, Capt.
Denslow, Nicholas	Jeffrey, Thomas	Stoughton, Mr. Israel
Dewey, Thomas	Leavitt, John	Stoughton, Thomas
Dimmock, Thomas	-Lumbert, Thomas	Strange, George
Duncan, Nathaniel	Marshall, Thomas	Swift, Thomas
Dyer, George	Mason, Capt. John	Terry, Stephen
Eales, John	Maverick, Mr. John	Thornton, Thomas
Eggleston, Bagot	Maverick, Moses	Tilley, John
Feakes or Fookes, Henry	Minot, George	Twitchell, Joseph
Filer, Walter	Moore, John	Upsall, Nicholas
- Ford, Thomas	Newbery, Mr. Thomas	Warham, Mr. John
French, Stephen	Newton, John	Wilkins, Bray
Gaylord, William	Parker, James	† Williams, Roger
Gibbs, Giles	Parkman, Elias	Wilton, David
Gillet, Jonathan	Pierce, John	Witchfield, John
Grant, Matthew	Phelps, William	Wolcot, Henry
Greenway, John	Phillips, George	Wright, Henry
Total, . . . . .		84

\* There are two of these names, John Hoskins, 1631 and 1634, and Thomas Rawlins, 1631 and 1635-36. There is a strong probability that they both belong to Dorchester; but we cannot be certain.

† This was not the more famous man who bore the same name.





In those days migrations and transmigrations were common. Dorchester took and gave with the rest. We have seen that the membership of the church was swelled by arrivals subsequent to that of the "Mary and John." Exchanges were also made between the towns. The names of some of the early settlers can be traced in the records of other towns to which they soon after removed. It was not to be expected that the dauntless enterprise which had brought the Puritans to these shores would permit them to remain on the fringe of the coast. The "Westward Ho" spirit early showed itself in organized as well as individual migration. One of the earliest, largest, and most important of these migrations from Dorchester occurred in 1635-36, when a large portion of the population removed to Connecticut and settled at Windsor. This colonial swarming reduced the original hive, a goodly number of the church members going with the junior pastor, Mr. Warham, to Windsor, and becoming the nucleus of another church in that place.

The depletion caused by the migration to Connecticut, as well as the influx of new colonists in 1635, led to the reorganization of the Dorchester Church, when Richard Mather was called to its pastorate in 1636, and the covenant with which this volume begins was adopted.

As many of the first members who came in the "Mary and John" went to Windsor, the question has been raised whether the church in Dorchester or the First Church in Windsor, Conn., is the proper heir of the church gathered in Plymouth, England. Since it is beyond doubt that both churches were essentially derived from the same historical root, both may rightfully and fraternally claim to be children of the same parentage. The question of ecclesiastical primogeniture is not here intrinsically important. Any facts, however, which show the original relation of the two churches to each other and to the parent church organized in England are interesting and valuable. More light is needed on various points. Dogmatism must be dismissed. The early settlers hardly imagined how much every scrap of information concerning their doings would be prized in later days, or they would have taken pains to anticipate our doubts and questionings.

Three questions are naturally suggested by the emigration to Windsor of so large a number of the Dorchester plantation. First, did the church go to Windsor by an *official act* as a church





*organization?* Second, what proportion of the church membership went? Third, what was meant by a "new church" in Dorchester?

I. DID THE CHURCH GO TO WINDSOR BY AN OFFICIAL ACT AS A CHURCH ORGANIZATION?

The only conclusive evidence on this point would be the records of the church previous to 1635. These, as has been said, are not extant. What action the church took, or whether it took any, is therefore not known. The subject of the emigration to Connecticut excited heated and prolonged debate in the colonial government.\* Urgently advocated on one side, it was vehemently opposed on the other. The division most probably extended to the Dorchester church also. At least it is suggested by the fact that the church membership did not go as a unit. A part went to Windsor, a part remained in Dorchester.

In examining the question, care must be taken to distinguish between the church *acting as a church organization* and the simple body of church members acting individually or fraternally. The distinction was not carefully made by the early New England historians. This has led to misconception and misapplication of their words by later writers. Winthrop, Thomas Shepard, and Richard Mather were contemporaries of the first settlers. Winthrop, in his Journal, vol. i. 183, 1636, says, "Mr. Mather and others of Dorchester, intending to begin a new church there (*a great part of the old one* being gone to Connecticut), desired the approbation of the other churches and of the magistrates." It is clear from Winthrop's statement that a new church organization was formed in Dorchester. He does not say, however, that the Dorchester church, as a church, had gone to Connecticut. His language, "a great part of the old one being gone to Connecticut," refers apparently to the colony of church members. Had the church taken formal action and gone as an organization, we should suppose that Winthrop would have mentioned it. His reticence gives color to the probability already assumed, that the controversy about the emigration shattered and divided the original organization.

Rev. Thomas Shepard, of Newtown, now Cambridge, was also present at the council in Dorchester, April 1, 1636, mentioned by

\* Savage's "Winthrop," vol. i. 140.



Winthrop. He was one of those who were not satisfied with the qualifications of some who presented themselves for approval at that gathering. He publicly expressed his dissent. After returning home, he wrote a letter to Richard Mather, for whom he had a strong personal friendship, endeavoring to console him upon his failure to secure the approbation of the magistrates and the neighboring churches. There is nothing in this letter which throws light on the question whether the Windsor emigrants went forth as an organized church or not, unless it be the assumption of the need of a new church in Dorchester, and the use of the expression a "foundation for a church," as if it were wholly a new structure. (Albro's Life of Shepard, p. 215, *et seq.* Original in library of Massachusetts Historical Society.)

In his reply to this letter, Richard Mather, with warm affection and deep humility, reciprocates the kindly feeling of Mr. Shepard. He regrets the bringing of "stones so unhammered and unhewn," evidently referring to the new immigrants. Only one passage in his letter has significance with reference to the point we are considering. It is the following: "But you will say, Why, then, did you present yourself with the people before the Lord and the churches? I will tell you the truth therein. They pressed me into it with much importunity, and so did others also, till I was ashamed to deny any longer, and laid it on me as a thing to which I was bound in conscience to assent; because, if I yielded not to join, there would be, said they, no church at all in this place, and so a tribe, as it were, should perish out of Israel, and all through my default." (Albro's Life of Shepard, p. 219. Original in library of Massachusetts Historical Society.) While Shepard treats the matter as if it were a new foundation, Mr. Mather's words seem to imply that a church or tribe already existing would perish unless he yielded to their importunities to come to them. A large portion of the church membership had gone to Windsor with one of its pastors. The pastor remaining in Dorchester had died. The flock was scattered and without a shepherd. These may have been strong arguments in the importunity which induced Mr. Mather to yield.\*

\*It is interesting to note that between the leaves of the letter of Thomas Shepard to Richard Mather of April 2, 1636, in the library of the Massachusetts Historical Society, and what is apparently a copy by Mr. Shepard of Mr.





Increase Mather, in the life of his father, Richard, referring to the same event, says, "The church which was first planted in that place, being removed with the Reverend Mr. Warham to Connecticut, there was an Essay towards Gathering a church April 1, 1636." (Life and Death of Rev. Richard Mather, edition of 1850, p. 73.) The natural assumption from Increase Mather's words is that the church went as a church. Yet we cannot be sure that he did not mean simply the body of church members. William Hubbard, 1682, says: "The first attempt of gathering any church in the year 1636 was at Dorchester on the first of April, when the former pastor and most of the old church being removed to Connecticut, Mr. Richard Mather, with several Christians that came along with him out of Lancashire, having settled their habitations there, and intending to begin a *new church*, desired the approbation of the magistrates, and of the neighboring churches," etc. (General History of New England, p. 273.) Hubbard, like Winthrop, is explicit in the expression "*most of the old church* being removed to Connecticut." He evidently refers to the body of church members. If the church took any organic action, it is not alluded to.

Cotton Mather in 1702 simply follows his father Increase, saying, "The church formerly planted there being transplanted with Mr. Warham to Connecticut, another church was now gathered here Aug. 23, 1636, by whose choice Mr. Mather was now become their teacher." (Magnalia, vol. i. p. 450, Life of Richard Mather, Hartford Edition, 1853.)

Mather's reply, are found two pages of memoranda, possibly the outline of a sermon; and between these, without word or comment, are written the following twenty-one names: Mr. [Nathaniel] Duncan; John Grenaway; Richard Callacott; William Rockwell; John Holman; Bernard Capen; Richard Wade; Thomas Dimmock; Robert Deeble; John Pope; John Phillips; John Benham; William Hannum; John Capen; Nicholas Upsall; Thomas Swift; Thomas Deeble; Thomas Millett; Augustine Clement; Thomas Twitchell; John Holland. Nearly all of these names, as will be seen by comparison with the lists herein, are of people then in Dorchester; and most of them had come before Mr. Mather. Others were later arrivals. Two of these names, those of John Holman and Thomas Dimmock, had a line drawn through them. It is impossible to tell just what this memorandum was made for. It may be the names of those who importuned Mr. Mather to settle in Dorchester. Twelve of these names are afterwards found on the church records. It is worth while noticing also that three of these persons (William Rockwell, William Hannum, and Thomas Deeble) afterwards went to Windsor. Did they intend to go when this memorandum was written?





Mr. James Blake, Jr., born April 30, 1688, one of the most accurate and trustworthy of the local historians of Dorchester, says: "Mr. Warham and about a half of the church removed to Windsor in Connecticut Colony, and Mr. Mather and his people came and joined with Mr. Maverick and that half of the church that were left, and from these people so united are the greatest part of the present inhabitants descended." (Annals of Dorchester, 1750, p. 14.) The natural inference from his language is that the church did *not* go to Connecticut *as an organization*, but rather that the emigration divided the original society.

In strange contrast to Blake's are the words of Governor Hutchinson in 1764: "Mr. Warham, their minister, and the whole church followed the next year." (History of Massachusetts, vol. i. p. 96, edition of 1795.) Hutchinson is thus unquestionably wide of the mark; and many of the later historians have copied his misleading statement, which a reference to Winthrop would have corrected.

Important in its bearing on this subject is the manuscript title-page of this the first and oldest volume of the Dorchester church records. It reads: "Records of the Second church in Dorchester which was gathered after the First Church Removed and settled themselves at Windsor. Beginning August 23 Anno Domini, 1636." It must be carefully noted, however, that this title-page is not a part of the original records, but a later addition made some eighty years thereafter, probably by Rev. John Danforth, who appears to have taken charge of the book on the death of Deacon Daniel Preston in 1695. Here, again, the question arises, Does Mr. Danforth refer to the church membership as removed and settled at Windsor or to the church as an organization? Probably on the title-page no attempt is made to state all the facts, but simply to indicate that the new or Second Church was numerically the successor of the first. Yet the wording of the title-page, though written by a later hand, gives strong color and support to the yet unverified surmise that the church went to Windsor as a church organization.

As will be seen, however, from previous quotations, so loosely is the word "church" used by writers of the time, and so often without any distinction between the church as an organization and the church as a congregation of individual worshippers, that it would not be safe to adopt one signification as wholly exclusive of the other.



The question, therefore, as to whether the church at Windsor went as a church organization can be decisively answered, it would seem, only by recovering its original records. There is little hope of finding these ancient records either in Windsor or in Dorchester. On the one hand, it is assumed that they were taken by Mr. Warham to Connecticut; on the other, that they remained with the senior pastor of the church, Mr. Maverick, in Dorchester. It is not impossible, however, since manuscripts vastly older have been by good fortune exhumed from obscurity, that the missing records may some day be brought to light. Should this good fortune occur, on no point will they be examined with more interest than on this one concerning what action, if any, the church took in the heated controversy relating to the emigration. Until such decisive evidence is produced, we may accept the judgment of a former editor of the *Puritan Recorder*, now *Congregationalist* (presumably Rev. Parsons Cooke, D.D., of Lynn, Mass.), who said, in 1855, "Whether the Windsor church removing from Dorchester, removed in an organized capacity, that it voted in church meeting to remove as a church, and carried with them their church records, formally dismissing those left behind, and continuing to keep their records as the same church, more light is required. As to the evidence produced by Mr. Jabez H. Hayden, in his very acceptable article, it proves clearly that another church was organized at Dorchester. Of this we were well aware; but the expression 'a large part of the old one being gone to Connecticut' would seem to indicate that the church itself did not go. The difficulty about all the documents relating to this subject is that the writers seem to have treated the question as to the preservation of the original organization as a matter of little consequence; while they state the fact of the removal, and so use expressions which may be construed either way." (Stiles's History of Windsor, 864.) Whether that portion of the church which went to Windsor was formally reorganized or not after settlement there is not known.

## II. WHAT PROPORTION OF THE MEMBERSHIP WENT TO WINDSOR?

From the quotations already given from early historians, it will be seen that their language was sometimes misleading on this subject. Thus Hutchinson says, "The whole church went to Con-





necticut"; and the same might be inferred by a modern reader unacquainted with the facts from the language of Increase Mather and Cotton Mather, his son. They give no indication that even a part of the old church remained in Dorchester. Nor does the manuscript title of this volume of the church records already quoted and ascribed to Rev. John Danforth give any intimation that a part of the old church remained in Dorchester. Even Dr. Thaddeus Mason Harris, one of the most honored and learned of the pastors in the Dorchester succession, in an early article on the history of the First Church, failed to make this distinction. Dr. Harris said, "Their whole church and most of the congregation determined upon going." (Massachusetts Historical Society Collections, First Series, vol. ix. p. 153.) This mistake may have been derived from Hutchinson. However that may be, twenty-six years afterwards, Dr. Harris took pains to correct his error. In a sermon delivered on the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the church, held July 4, 1830, he says, "Some of the first comers still remained here," and again, "A number of church members remained," thus materially qualifying his previous language and referring to the remainder as the nucleus of the reorganized church.

Of the older historians, Hubbard and Winthrop are more accurate, the former saying "*most* of the old church being removed to Connecticut," and the latter saying "*a great part* of the old one being gone." James Blake, Jr., is also careful and explicit on this point.

Fortunately, we are not dependent wholly upon surmises or loose statements, either ancient or modern, concerning the proportion of the Dorchester people who went to Windsor. A study of the early town records throws some light on the question.

The first emigration to Windsor took place October, 1635. It was continued in the spring of 1636. We have already given a list of those who were made freemen and who were therefore necessarily church members from the passage of the law imposing this requirement May 18, 1631, to Aug. 23, 1636, the date at which the church records begin. We now present the same list of freemen, arranged chronologically with reference to their date of admission to freemanship, and giving also the date on which their names last appeared in the town records. Of those who remained subsequent to 1640 it is so stated.



LIST OF FREEMEN ADMITTED BEFORE AUG. 23, 1636, THE OPENING  
DATE OF THE PRESENT CHURCH RECORDS.

1630.

[John Crabb, Christopher Gibson, Mr. Ralph Glover, Mr. Richard Southcoate, and Mr. Thomas Southcoate, before referred to, are among the names of those who desired to be made freemen Oct. 19, 1630, from Dorchester, but are not entered subsequently as having taken the oath.]

*May 18, 1631.*

	LAST MENTIONED IN DORCHESTER.
Mr. John Maverick	
Rev. John Warham	
Capt. Southcoate	
Thomas Stoughton	June 27, 1636.
Bray Rossiter	
Bagot Eggleston	Feb. 10, 1634-5.
Stephen Terry	Feb. 10, 1634-5.
John Benham	Feb. 13, 1638-9.
George Phillips	Jan. 18, 1635-6.
Roger Williams	Jan. 16, 1636-7.
John Moore	April 23, 1638.
John Hoskins	May 24, 1634.
Matthew Grant	Nov. 2, 1635.
Simon Hoyt	Feb. 10, 1634-5.
Henry Smith	Dec. 29, 1634.
Thomas Ford	June 27, 1636.
Nicholas Upsall	after 1640.
John Pierce	after 1640.
Thomas Rawlins	Nov. 22, 1634.
George Dyer	after 1640.
William Rockwell	Jan. 2, 1637-8.
John Grenaway	after 1640.
Thomas Lumbert	March 18, 1637-8.
William Gaylord	March 18, 1637-8.
William Phelps	July 5, 1635.

*April 3, 1632.*

William Hulbert after 1640.

*Aug. 7, 1632.*

John Phillips July 5, 1636.  
John Hull after 1640.





*Nov. 6, 1632.*

Mr. John Branker

Sept. 10, 1637.

*March 4, 1632-3.*

George Hull

June 27, 1636.

Eltweed Pomeroy

March 1, 1635-6.

Nicholas Denslow

July 5, 1636.

Giles Gibbs

after Feb. 1, 1635-6.

John Newton

Nov. 22, 1634.

Richard Collacott

after 1640.

John Smith

after 1640.

*June 11, 1633.*

David Wilton

Jan. 6, 1633-4.

John Witchfield

April 17, 1635.

*Nov. 5, 1633.*

Mr. Israel Stoughton

after 1640.

Mr. John Cogan

Aug. 5, 1633.

*April 1, 1634.*

George Minot

after 1640.

Henry Wolcot

April 17, 1635.

William Hosford

April 17, 1635.

*May 14, 1634.*

Roger Clap

after 1640.

Joshua Carter

Nov. 2, 1635.

Joseph Tutchell (Twitchell)

after 1640.

Thomas Hatch, sold house and land to

John Phillips at or before

Oct. 31, 1639.

Bray Wilkins

after 1640.

John Eales, sold his land in Dorchester

Oct. 28, 1640.

Philip Randall

April 17, 1635.

Thomas Holcomb, sold homestead to

Richard Jones

Aug. 12, 1635.

Thomas Dewey, sold homestead, same date as above, conveyed  
to Richard Jones.

Thomas Jeffrey

April 17, 1635.

James Parker

April 23, 1638.

Walter Filer

June 27, 1636.

John Hayden

March 18, 1637-8.

Edmund Hart

Feb. 1, 1635-6.

William Hathorne

Oct. 2, 1636.

Stephen French

Dec. 1, 1634.

John Capen

after 1640.



	<i>Sept. 3, 1634.</i>	
Moses Maverick		Jan. 6, 1633-4.
Mr. Thomas Newbery, inventory of his estate made		Jan. 28, 1636.
John Pope		after 1640.
Thomas Thornton		Feb. 18, 1635-6.
Matthias or Matthew Sension		March 18, 1637-8.
	<i>March 4, 1634-5.</i>	
Capt. John Mason		Feb. 10, 1634-5.
Joseph Clarke		Nov. 22, 1634.
John Tilley		Jan. 2, 1637-8.
	<i>May 6, 1635.</i>	
Thomas Swift		after 1640.
George Strange		Nov. 22, 1634.
Nathaniel Duncan		after 1640.
Thomas Marshall		Feb. 10, 1634-5.
Henry Wright		after 1640.
Jonathan Gillet		July 5, 1636.
Thomas Gunn		Feb. 10, 1634-5.
Robert Deeble		after 1640.
Henry Feakes or Fookes		Jan. 4, 1635-6.
Elias Parkman		July 5, 1636.
Aaron Cooke		July 5, 1636.
	<i>Sept. 2, 1635.</i>	
William Read		March 18, 1637-8.
	<i>March 3, 1635-6.</i>	
John Leavitt		Nov. 2, 1635.
	<i>May 25, 1636.</i>	
Bernard Capen		after 1640.
Augustine Clement		after 1640.
Thomas Dimmock		March 18, 1637-8.

This list comprises 84 names. So many, at least, we may assume were members of the church. We cannot say that they were the only members. Undoubtedly there were some who joined the church who are not recorded as freemen. Thus, taking the names of church members entered on the church records previous to Nov. 4, 1639, we find that, out of 60 names, 17 of them were not freemen at that time. Of these, 7 were subsequently admitted to freemanship; but 10 are not





found on the lists of freemen. It is not improbable that they may have been sworn in, and no record made of the fact. We may therefore assume that there were other church members previous to 1636 who were not recorded as freemen; but how large a number we cannot tell. The 84 names we have given, however, are not a matter of conjecture, but of record. Turning again to the town records, we find that out of these 84 names, all of whom must be regarded as church members, 35 were in Dorchester up to the 1st of January, 1637-38. The following are the 35 names derived from the list above:—

NAMES OF FREEMEN FOUND IN DORCHESTER TOWN RECORDS ON  
OR AFTER JAN. 1, 1637.

*Such as signed or owned the covenant of the church reconstituted Aug.  
23, 1636, are indicated by a \*.*

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| John Benham<br>in Dorchester, March 18,<br>1637-8; removed, says Sav-<br>age, to New Haven, 1640,<br>and died 1661. | Richard Collacott<br>in Dorchester May 13, 1667,<br>died Boston July 7, 1686.        | * John Pope<br>died Dorchester Oct. 18, 1686.  |
| * Nicholas Upsall<br>died Boston Aug. 20, 1666.   | * John Smith<br>died Dorchester 1676 or 1678.  | Matthias Sension<br>Dorchester March 18,<br>1637-8; went to Windsor,<br>thence to Norwalk, where<br>he died in 1669. |
| John Pierce<br>died Boston Sept. 17, 1661.  | * Israel Stoughton<br>died in England 1644 or 1645.                                  | John Tilly<br>name last appears in Dor-<br>chester Jan. 2, 1637-8.   |
| * George Dyer<br>died Dorchester 1672.  | * George Minot<br>died Dorchester Dec. 24,<br>1571.                                  | * Thomas Swift<br>died Dorchester May 4, 1675<br>[Town Record].  |
| William Rockwell<br>went to Windsor soon after<br>Jan. 2, 1637-8; died there<br>May 15, 1640.                       | John Moore<br>in Dorchester April 23, 1638;<br>went to Windsor.                      | * Nathaniel Duncan<br>in Dorchester March 14,<br>1645-6; in Boston after<br>1655.                                    |
| * John Grenaway<br>living in Dorchester Nov. 12,<br>1649.   | Roger Clap<br>died Boston Feb. 2, 1670-71.   | * Henry Wright<br>last mentioned Feb. 7, 1641.   |
| Thomas Lumbert<br>in Dorchester March 18,<br>1637-8; Barnstable 1639;<br>died, says Otis, about 1667.               | * Joseph Tuchell<br>in Dorchester 23 Feb., 1646.                                     | * Robert Deeble<br>in Dorchester Feb. 7, 1641.   |
| William Gaylord<br>went to Windsor; last men-<br>tioned in Dorchester March<br>18, 1637-8.                          | Thomas Hatch<br>made sale Oct. 31, 1639, to<br>John Phillips.                        | * William Read<br>sold land and house to<br>Thomas Clarke Aug. 26,<br>1639.  |
| William Hulburt<br>in Dorchester Dec. 1, 1634;<br>went to Windsor and<br>Northampton; died, says<br>Savage, 1694.   | * Bray Wilkins<br>last mentioned in Dorchester<br>Feb. 23, 1646-7; went to<br>Salem. | Bernard Capen<br>died Dorchester Nov. 3, 1638.   |
| John Hull<br>was in Dorchester May 20,<br>1639, and perhaps later.  | John Eales<br>went to Hingham, sold land<br>in Dorchester Oct. 28, 1640.             | * Augustine Clement<br>died Dorchester 1674.   |
| Giles Gibbs<br>went to Windsor previous to<br>March 1, 1635-6; died May<br>21, 1641.                                | James Parker<br>went to Weymouth; in Dor-<br>chester perhaps 1635.                   | Thomas Dimmock<br>last mentioned March 18,<br>1637-8.  |
|   | John Hayden<br>probably in Dorchester<br>March 18, 1637-8, and of<br>Braintree 1640. |  |
|   | * John Capen<br>died Dorchester April 4, 1692;<br>deacon 33 years.                   |  |



Such action, if any, as was taken by the church must have been taken between the fall of 1635 and the spring of 1636, when the larger body of colonists went. Of these 35 persons, 7 are supposed to have gone to Windsor between 1637 and 1640. It would be unsafe to assume that they decided to go to Windsor when the larger body of colonists went. They may have gone as individuals, to join the colonists who had preceded them. Nor can we assume that all those persons whose names are not found on the town records later than 1634-35 went to Windsor. Some of them are known to have gone to other places. Of others nothing is known, except that they disappeared at an early date. We must guard, therefore, against concluding that all those who left Dorchester between 1634 and 1637, went to Windsor. Matthew Grant mentions but 15 names as having come up with the church from Dorchester.

Laying aside conjecture and appealing to the records, we find that of 145 male inhabitants mentioned on the town records prior to Aug. 23, 1636, the date of the reorganization of the church, 35 of that number appear on the records on or after Jan. 1, 1637-38. These 35 are recorded as freemen, and must have been members of the church. In other words, when the church was reorganized under Richard Mather in 1636, there were, as far as can be ascertained in Dorchester, about 35 persons who were church members at that time, 7 of whom afterwards went to Windsor. Of the 28 persons remaining, all but 4 were admitted to freemanship before the arrival of Richard Mather, Aug. 17, 1635, and were thus members of the church before its reorganization. In the list above only male names appear, because only males were admitted to freemanship. It would be difficult to compile a list of the women who went or remained.

Thus it will be seen that the whole church membership did not go to Connecticut or elsewhere, and that there was a sufficient number of members in Dorchester to preserve the continuity of the church life.

Of the 28 persons enumerated, 19 are found on these records as members of the reorganized church. Three of these signed the covenant in 1636. Others owned the covenant on dates between 1636 and 1639; one in 1640, one in 1644. Roger Clap and Richard Collacott are recognized as members, but are not recorded as owning or signing the covenant.





The question how many of the original members of the church formed at Plymouth, England, and who came over in the "Mary and John," went to Windsor cannot be definitely answered. It is a question of subordinate interest, because the membership of the church was re-enforced by arrivals from England up to the year 1635. Deacon Ebenezer Clapp, for twenty-five years a deacon of the First Church, and an industrious and indefatigable student of the history of the church and town, undertook before his death in 1881 investigations on this point. Unfortunately, however, we have no complete or trustworthy record of the names of all the passengers who came in the "Mary and John," nor can we say, except in certain cases, who of them were church members. Any such list must be hypothetical. It will be of interest, however, to mention the conclusions reached by Deacon Clapp, although he did not present them as authoritative or final. His list of supposed passengers by the "Mary and John" comprised 59 names. The number of emigrants whom he traced to Windsor was 50. Of these, 30, he supposed, came over in the "Mary and John," and 20 were later arrivals. Subtracting the 30 identified as going to Windsor, we have 29 names remaining, or about one-half of the original number of male passengers, according to this hypothetical list. Of these 29 who did not join the Windsor company, 11 died or removed to other places or returned to England, leaving 18 of the original company in Dorchester. But, as we have remarked above, the important question is not how many of those who went to Windsor came over in the "Mary and John," but rather how many of the enlarged roll of church members in 1635-36 emigrated or remained. On this point the names and figures we have given from the town records furnish the most reliable data.

### III. WHAT WAS MEANT BY A NEW CHURCH IN DORCHESTER?

Reverting to the authorities already quoted, we are struck by the diversity of expression in regard to the reorganized church. Winthrop says "a new church was gathered." Increase Mather says "a church was constituted." Hubbard, following Winthrop, though he mistakes the date, says "another church"; while Blake simply says that, when "these two companies of people were thus united, they made one church." The difference of expression shows that accurate and technical definition was not



intended by these writers. The circumstances attending the formation of this "new church" were peculiar. When we examine them, we see that the "new church" designated by Winthrop could not mean a new church in the sense in which that term applies to such churches as have never had any previous existence. From the language of Winthrop, three things are at once evident: first, that there had been a church in Dorchester; second, that a part of it had gone to Windsor; third, that it was necessary to reconstitute or amalgamate the old and the new material which remained.

The adoption of the new covenant was a new epoch, but it is not in itself a conclusive sign of an entirely new organization. The Dorchester church made a new covenant in 1842, but this marked only another epoch in its existence.

Another important fact must not be forgotten: it was not the going away of the Windsor emigrants alone that rendered reorganization necessary. The coming in of a fresh element and the selection of a new pastor were important factors. If no new element had arrived while the Windsor emigration was going on, it is doubtful if the church would have needed reorganization. But in those days only a church member could become a freeman. It was necessary that church order should be closely observed. The rise of Antinomianism about this time, of which Shepard (who did much to produce the stay of proceedings April, 1636) was a determined opponent, excited new vigilance and caution. The general disturbance produced by the influx and efflux of settlers also unsettled the Dorchester plantation, and made church reorganization necessary. This was the view taken, after mature study, by Dr. Harris, who said: "As a number of church members remained, and the place of those that had left had been in a good degree supplied by new emigrants, they agreed to call an ecclesiastical council to assist in constituting them in church order, with proper officers. It convened on the 1st of April, 1636; but, 'the messengers of the churches not being satisfied concerning the qualifications of some that were proposed as members, the work was deferred.' On the 23d of August following, a church was reorganized, 'with the approbation of the elders and magistrates.'"\*

\* Discourse of Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D.D., delivered July 4, 1830, p. 14.



This is also the view of a former editor of the *Boston Recorder*, who said: "It is true that both here and at Cambridge, after the removal of some of the first settlers to Connecticut with their ministers, another organization of the church was had. For new emigrants had come in and purchased the houses and lands of those emigrants to Connecticut; and so great was the change of people that there would be occasion for the reconstruction of the church, whether the people who left went in an organized body or were organized anew in their new field."

One point must not be overlooked. There is no indication that by the Windsor emigration religious services were suspended in Dorchester. The emigrants to Windsor did not go all at once. The first party went in October, 1635, others not until the spring of 1636, while others did not go until two or three years after the reorganization of the church. But how small a gap there was between the corporate life of the old church and that of the reorganized church is seen when we compare dates. It must not be overlooked that the senior pastor of the church, Mr. Maverick, did not go to Windsor. Whether he had any intention of doing so is not known; but, at any rate, he died on the 3d of February, 1635-36. Mather, importuned to come to Dorchester, must have consented as early as March, though the council was not called until April, and he was not finally settled until August. Blake says, "Mr. Mather and his people came and joined with Mr. Maverick." So far as the blending of the people is concerned, he is right. If we are to understand from these words that Maverick and Mather were contemporaneous pastors of the renewed church, he is wrong. But, if Blake meant that Maverick and Mather had both ministered to the amalgamated congregation before the ecclesiastical council, it is very probable. Although the council was not held until April, Mather had come from England with his party nine months before. Many of his people immediately took the places of those who went to Windsor. Mather's arrival was six months before Maverick's death. It is therefore probable that he preached some time for the Dorchester people during the continuance of Mr. Maverick's pastorate. But, leaving out probabilities, one fact is conclusive: that the gap between Maverick's death in February and the calling of the council and reorganization of the church under Mather in April was only two months, and to the final reorganization





seven months. During this time the meeting-house was, no doubt, opened every Sunday for religious service; and the continuity of the church service probably remained unbroken, though the ordinances may not have been administered.

Some of those who signed the new covenant were undoubtedly passengers in the "Mary and John." Were they all members of the original church? This we cannot positively say. Not all who came in the "Mary and John" joined the church before sailing. Roger Clap, for instance, did not join it until after it was established in Dorchester; and it is worthy of note that he did not sign the new church covenant. Nevertheless, he was recognized as a member of the church of Dorchester for many years after the reorganization. Blake says, "He continued a member of this church for the space of sixty years." Another case is that of Richard Collacott. He was admitted to freemanship March 4, 1632-33, and was thus one of the early residents and church members before the Windsor emigration began. There is no record of his ever having owned the covenant of the reorganized church or of having been formally admitted. But the proof of his membership appears on the church records Jan. 13, 1660, when we read that Richard Collacott and his wife were dismissed to join the new church at Boston. Thus it seems that the early membership of these persons was not abrogated by the Connecticut emigration and did not need to be renewed. If this was the case with Roger Clap and Richard Collacott, it was possibly the case with others of the first members, though most preferred to own the new covenant. Among those who did this prior to 1639 was Nicholas Clapp, who came to Dorchester in 1633, and may have been a member of the church before the reorganization, though he is not found among the list of freemen. There were possibly others, as has been suggested, who may have been members and not freemen, and whose names would swell the list we have made.

The oldest religious societies in Massachusetts, the Dorchester church among them, are dual organizations, consisting of church and parish. The discussion concerning the continuity of the church does not affect in any way the continuity of the parish. It is worth while to note that, under Massachusetts law as it is at present interpreted, the body of church members who went to Windsor ceased to be a church when they separated from the



Dorchester parish. The decision in the famous Dedham case is familiar. "It was laid down that a church separating from a parish for any cause loses its existence, and that never in Massachusetts had a church a legal existence apart from the parish." It is not necessary to review or discuss the justice of this decision. There is no occasion to appeal to it in this case. It is simply sufficient to say that, according to Massachusetts law as at present interpreted, the party that remained with the church in Dorchester in 1636 became, through its connection with the parish, successors to all property, rights, and titles of the original church.

#### CONCLUSION.

The following points may be deduced from the above examination:—

1. That the whole church membership did not go to Windsor, but only a part of it. This is supported by the testimony of Winthrop, Blake, Hubbard, and a careful study of early records as to the number of those who left and those who remained.
2. Whether the Windsor party went as a church organization or simply as a colony of fellow church members is not known. Both views have been maintained: the decisive evidence is lacking. The editor of the *Boston Recorder* truly says: "The difficulty about all the documents relating to this subject is that the writers seem to have treated the question as to the preservation of the original organization as a matter of little consequence, while they state the fact of the removal, and so use expressions which may be construed either way."
3. The new church in Dorchester was an amalgamation of old and new elements, partly due to the departure of early members and partly to the arrival of new material. The probability is that the church was much broken up by the ebb and flow of emigration. This transition period was so serious that reorganization was desirable.
4. The question of continuity does not affect the continuity of the parish. According to Massachusetts law, the First Church and Parish of Dorchester has a clear title for two hundred and sixty years.
5. The historic connection of the Dorchester church with the church formed at Plymouth, England, is direct and unbroken. It





is maintained by genetic lines of membership. Some streams of blood from the heart of the Plymouth (England) church still flow in the membership of the church at Dorchester. The present church owes its existence to that immigration; not merely through a parish continuity, but through a continuity of membership and Sabbath meetings and Christian life and work; that is to say, through its life as a church.

6. The churches at Dorchester and Windsor are thus both heirs of the same parentage.

All that has been attempted in this introduction has been to bring together such facts as are now available concerning the period in the history of the church preceding the date of these records, in the hope that future investigators may be able to supplement the facts, and to verify or correct the conclusions.

No analysis of the present volume of records has been attempted. Its publication places it within the range of all students of New England history; and the notes made by the faithful transcriber, Rev. Charles H. Pope, who has shown a deep interest in the work, furnish all the detail necessary for those who have not access to the original manuscript.

The events recorded in this, the oldest existing volume of records, have been the subject of comment and review in sermons preached at Dorchester, by Rev. John Pierce, D.D., of Brookline, Mass., June 17, 1830; by Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D.D., on the 200th anniversary of the church, July 4, 1830; by Rev. Nathaniel Hall, on the 240th anniversary, June 19, 1870; and in the Proceeding of the 250th Anniversary [Boston: Geo. H. Ellis. 1880]. Much interesting and useful matter concerning the church has been published in the History of Dorchester [Boston. 1851]. The story of town and church has also been briefly told in the "Memorial History of Boston."

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WILLIAM B. TRASK.



## NOTES OF THE COPYIST.

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WHILE the reader is put in possession of the identical spelling and punctuation of the original records, there are a few particulars, which could only be gleaned from close study of the old volume, that ought to be definitely mentioned for the benefit of all who may study this transcription.

First, there are two sets of entries: those beginning with the title-page, and continuing with the Covenant, list of members, and records of meetings; then an altogether separate series, begun at the end of the book, which was turned upside down, wherein baptisms were recorded and afterward a variety of other items. One who is poring over the book for any special purpose needs to take these two sets of entries as, in effect, two parallel books.

Before making this copy, the original was paged continuously through the two parts, so that pages 4 and 169 are contemporaneous, and so on.

Second, it is possible to say pretty nearly when these records were begun. The first *dated* entry, properly speaking, is that which registers the baptism of Rebecca Wiswall, April 6th, 1639, p. 171, the statements on pp. 169 and 170 being avowed *recollections*. From this time the baptisms are constantly dated, while the admissions to the church are dated from Nov. 4, 1639 (p. 6). The names of those who signed the Covenant are all in one handwriting, easily identified as that of the "teacher," Mr. Mather, who speaks of himself under that title on p. 173. He is clearly the penman of the chief part of the records for some years; but another hand appears from time to time,—namely, that of Deacon John Wiswall, who gradually took the whole work in charge. His autograph is to be seen on p. 258, disfigured by an altogether different penman's addition of the word "Dea.," which was not transcribed, of course. In 1657-58 Deacon John Capen began to record; but "Feb 91/2" another person made affectionate mem-



orandum that he had "ended his work" (p. 136). Next Deacon Preston's marked chirography follows until Oct. 22, 1695. From that point the facile pen of the Rev. John Danforth carries on both parts of the record, till some person not identified completes the volume.

Third, we have a most important succession of annotations on the earliest records, made by one who had excellent opportunities of knowing whereof he wrote. From the beginning of the baptismal entries (p. 169) Mr. Danforth interpolated remarks upon the persons mentioned in the records. These often contain matter of the highest historic-genealogical value. We have printed them in parenthesis, as they are easily distinguished from the few parenthetical remarks of the clerks themselves. It is certain that Mr. Danforth wrote these, both from the writing itself and from several particular entries. Note specially a father's remark on his child's baptism, p. 233; the initials "I. D." after the date 1716 on p. 238; the reference to the "last words in the pastor's hearing," p. 11; and notably the kind and thankful remarks upon the ordination of his colleague on p. 167, where "the aged pastor" breathes such noble thoughts in forms so classical. Mr. Danforth also copied from the town book into the margin of this record the dates of birth of many of the children baptized in the church, his general accuracy in which attests the value of his annotations.

The title-page of the ancient volume was evidently written by Mr. Danforth, probably soon after 1695, when he took charge of the book.

Elder Topliff's list of the localities where the founders of the town had resided (p. 25), made not far from 1700, is a document of great value.

No one who studies this record closely can fail to be impressed with the pure devotion and lofty standards of the Dorchester pilgrims.

CHARLES HENRY POPE.





## DORCHESTER CHURCH RECORDS.

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[2]

Dorchester. the 23<sup>th</sup> day of the )  
6<sup>th</sup> moneth. Anno. 1636. \

- Wee whose names are subscribed being called of God to joyne o'selves together in Church Comunion, from o' hearts acknowledging o' owne unworthines of such a priviledge or of the least of Gods mercyes, & likewise acknowledging o' disability to keepe coven<sup>t</sup> w<sup>th</sup> God or to p'fourme any spirituall duty w<sup>ch</sup> hee calleth us unto, unlesse the Lord Jesus do enable us thereunto by his spirit dwelling in us, Doe in the name of Cht Jesus o' Lord and in trust and confidence of his free grace assisting us freely Coven<sup>t</sup> & bind ourselves solemnely in the presence of God himselfe, his holy Angells and all his
1. servants here present that wee will by his grace assisting us endeavour constantly to walke together as a right ordered Congregaco<sup>n</sup> of Cht. according to all the holy rules of a church-body rightly established, so farre as wee do already know it to bee o' duty or shall further und-
  2. stand it out of Gods holy word: Promising first & above all to cleave unto him as o' chiefe & onley good, and to o' Lord Jesus Cht as o' onley spirituall husband and
  3. Lord, & o' onley high priest & Prophet and King. And for the furthering of us to keepe this blessed Comunion w<sup>th</sup> God and w<sup>th</sup> his sonne Jesus Cht and to grow up more fully therein, wee do likewise promise by his grace assisting us, to endeavour the establishing amongst o' selves of all his holy ordinances w<sup>ch</sup> hee hath appointed for his churches here on earth, and to observe all and every of them in such sort as shall bee most agreeable to his will; opposing to the utmost of o' power, whatsoever is contrary thereunto, & bewayling fro o' hearts o' owne neglect thereof in former tyme, and our polluting o'selves therein w<sup>th</sup> any sinfull inventions of men.



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And lastly wee do hereby Covenant & promise to further to our utmost power, the best [3] spirituall good of each other, and of all and every one that may become members of this Congregation, by mutuall Instruction reprehension, exhortation, consolation, and spirituall watchfulness over one another for good; and to be subject in and for the Lord to all the Administrations and Censures of the Congregation, so farre as the same shall be guided according to the rules of Gods most holy word.

Of the integrity of our heartes herein wee call God the searcher of all hearts to witnesse; beseeching him so to blesse us in this and all our Enterprises, as wee shall sincerely endeavour by the assistance of his grace to observe this holy Covenant and all the branches of it inviolably for ever; and where wee shall faile there to wayte upon the Lord Jesus for pardon and for acceptance and healing for his names sake.

RICHARD MATHER:  
NATH: DUNCAN:  
GEORGE MINOT:  
HENRY WITHINGTON  
THOMAS JONES  
JOHN POPE  
JOHN KINGSLEY.

[4] The names of such as since the constituting or gathering of the church at dorchester have been added to the church and joyned thereunto as members of the same body, by profession of faith and Repentance and taking hold of the Covenant before the Congregation; viz.

m <sup>r</sup> Israel Stoughton: (Esq)	m <sup>rs</sup> Elizabeth Stoughton
John Glover: (Esq)	Katharin Mather
James Bate	Elizabeth withington
Humfrey Atherton (Esq)	Martha minott
John Holland	Anne Glover
John Pierce	Elizabeth Duncan
Christopher Gibson	Marie Gibson
John Phillipp	× Joanna Phillipp
William Sumner	× Marie Sumner
John Greeneway	× Mary Greeneway
Barnabas flawer	
nathaneel wales	× Susan wales
Thomas millett	× mary millet





John Smith	×	dorothy Smith
Raph Tomkins		Judith Holland
Richard Hawes	×	Anne Hawes
George Dyer	×	Abigail Dyer
(Deacon) Edward Clappe	×	Prudence Clappe
nicholas Clapp	×	Sarah Clappe
nicholas Upshall	×	Dorothie upsall
Edward white	×	Martha white
Augustine Clement	×	Elizabeth Clement
Alexander miller		
(m <sup>r</sup> ) Oliver Purchase	×	Sarah Purchase
william Clarke	×	Sarah Clarke
(Eld <sup>r</sup> ) John wiswall	×	margret wiswall
Thomas wiswall	×	Elizabeth wiswall
Gabriel Meade	×	Joanna Meade
Thomas Dickerman		Elizabeth Kingsley
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Robert Deeble		Purnell Pierce
Thomas Swifte	×	Elizabeth Swifte
Joseph ffarneworth	×	Elizabeth ffarneworth
william Reede		
Joseph wilson		m <sup>rs</sup> Knight
Jeffrey Turner		Isabell Gill
John Rigbie	×	Isabell Rigbie
John Gornehill		Margret Styth
william Robinson		Rebecca vener
Richard withington		ffaith withington
Henry Condliffe		Lydia Horrockes
nathaneel Houlder		Abigail Cogan
John maudesley		
minists { m <sup>r</sup> william Tompson		Barbara Clappe
{ m <sup>r</sup> George moxon	×	Anne moxon
{ m <sup>r</sup> Samuel Newman	×	Sybill Newman
Michael willyes		Joane willyes
william Blake	×	Agnes Blake
		Alice Bate
		Lydia Bate
		mary Bate
		Elizabeth Condliffe
		Alice Rickdail
Thomas Lewis		mary Preston
		Ales Kimberley
		Ales North
		Agnes Lane
		Mary Lovett



Thomas Clarke

× mary Knight  
 M<sup>rs</sup> Trowbridge  
 Hannah wilkins  
 Elizabeth Tilestone  
 Judith Smeade  
 Susanna Starre  
 Constant Starre  
 Rachel Bigge  
 Patience ffoster

Nicholas Butler

× Joyce Butler  
 Elizabeth Pitts  
 Ursula Greeneway  
 Joane Martine  
 ffrances Hill

[6]

Andrewes

John Capinne

Sarah Topley  
 Dorothy Barker  
 Joane Capin  
 Radigan Capin  
 Jane Pope  
 Ellen Jones  
 Susanna Lyon

Edward Brecke

Joseph Jewet

George Aldridge

Thomas Hawkins

Hopesstill ffoster

× Mary Jewet  
 × Catharin Aldridge  
 mary — Hawkins  
 Anne Bishopp  
 Thomassin Beton  
 Anne Bayly

Richard williams

Tho<sup>s</sup> Touleman

Henry woodward

× ffrances williams  
 Elizabeth williams

Elizabeth ffarnham

4 da: 9<sup>th</sup> mo: 1639

Henry Kebby

Jonas Humphrey

Richard Baker

m<sup>rs</sup> Holman  
 Humphrey

Richard Sykes

m<sup>r</sup> Nehemiah BourneGeorge Procto<sup>r</sup>

Dinah ffawer  
 mary Waterhouse  
 m<sup>rs</sup> Hannah Bourne:  
 Proctor



21 da: 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1639

m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Burre:  
George Wickes  
m<sup>rs</sup> Earwinge:

m<sup>rs</sup> frances Burre  
Jane Wickes

Decimo 4<sup>o</sup> 12 mo 1639:

m<sup>r</sup> Robert Hawoorth  
m<sup>r</sup> (Tho) waterhouse  
m<sup>r</sup> John Holman  
Jeremiah Houchin  
Clement Topley

× m<sup>rs</sup> waterhouse  
× Houchin  
m<sup>rs</sup> Cooper  
Rebecca Burre:

Decimo 9<sup>no</sup>: 4 mo: 1640

Braue wilkins  
Robert Peerce  
Robert fuller  
Rodger Billindge

× Elizabeth Drake  
× Anne Peerce  
Phebe Sykes  
margaret Anglesey  
mary Cooke  
margaret Levver

20 of 9 mo 1640

[7]

David Seleeke  
John Gill  
Tho miller  
Tho Leike  
Tho Davenpo<sup>rt</sup>  
Sarah Collen  
margaret Bate  
goodwife maudsley  
goodwife Bird  
Henry wright:

goodwife Gill

16 of 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1641

Andrew Pitcher  
Mary Brecke  
Widow Jones  
Henry Bridgram  
Dorcas y<sup>e</sup> blackmore  
Good<sup>e</sup> Munningses  
Good<sup>e</sup> Lippincot  
Elizabeth Craine





29 of 8 mo: 1641.

Goodwife George  
m<sup>rs</sup> Patten  
Goodwife willeyes  
Elizabeth Gallet  
Goodwife Whipple

28 of 12 mo 1641.

William Pond  
nathaniell Howard  
goodman Newton:

× goody Pond  
× goody Howard  
goody Deeble  
mary withington

27 of 11 mo 42

Tho Burd  
John Pratt  
William Triscott  
William Turner  
John ffrench

Goodman Ware

2 mo Decimo 7<sup>to</sup> 43

Richard Eavins

5: 3 mo 43

Henry Waye  
Richard Waye

goody Pratt  
goody wright  
Goody Eavens

8 1 mo 1644

Joseph Twichell  
Richard Hall  
Tho Trott  
Jasp Rush  
Nicholas Boulton

Goody Billindge  
mary Davenport

[8]

1646.

about

10 May 1646. Baptised, Samuel Topliff  
(son of Clement Topliff)  
who was ordained Ruling Elder  
ffeb. 3. 1701-2:



[9]

1647

The Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> John Wilson jun<sup>r</sup>

He was Coadjutor to the Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Mather two Years;  
& then dismissed, that so Medfield might have a Pastor &  
He was Pastor of Medfield 40 years.

<sup>m</sup>  
10: 47: Baptised Hopestill (y<sup>e</sup> son of Capt. Roger Clap)  
who was born Dec. 6. 47.  
(Sam<sup>l</sup> son of william Trescot born                      whose wife was  
George Diers daughter)

1648

1649

1650

[10] At a church meetinge 19. (10) 53 where was p<sup>r</sup>sent  
these bretheren

m<sup>r</sup> mather

Elder withingto

Richard Baker

Richard Leeds

John Gornhill

Henry Cundliffe

Lawrance Smith

william Triscot

Thomas Swift

Captaine Atherton

Ensigne ffoster

Robt Howard

Thomas wiswall

Joseph ffarnewoorth

william ware

Thomas Burd

John wiswall

the vote was whether they were all willinge that Dorcas  
was to be Redeemed & that Ensigne ffoster & the 2 deacons,  
should goe to Boston to inquire first what the magest could  
doe by power & after to goe & Compound w<sup>th</sup> Liuetennant  
Cooke or any other ffor her Redemptio & to ingage an ox  
and a Cow in m<sup>r</sup> Howard handes for p<sup>t</sup> of payement. & in  
case y<sup>m</sup>selves ingage for the Rest the bretheren above  
named doe p<sup>r</sup>mise to Laye downe for the present amonge  
y<sup>m</sup> the sume untill it can be had againe from the whole  
church by Contribution or otherwayes: the vote was affirm-  
ative & the p<sup>r</sup>mise ffull her Redemptio was to be ffree.





(1649 The Reverend M<sup>r</sup> John Wilson was Ordained Pastor of the Church in Dorchester as a Coadjutor to the Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> R. Mather o<sup>r</sup> Teacher.

The Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Wilson Removed from Dorchester to Medfield to take the Pastoral Care of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Medfield.)

[11] The 15 September 1680 about 10 of y<sup>e</sup> Clock in y<sup>e</sup> night m<sup>r</sup> Flint departed this life y<sup>e</sup> day before there was a fast kept for him he was ordained pastor to this Church y<sup>e</sup> 27 10 71

The 28 4 82 m<sup>r</sup> John Danforth was ordained pastor to this Church at Dorchester

The 12 3 86 Elder James Humphrey dep<sup>d</sup>ed this lif in y<sup>e</sup> morning about break of day being y<sup>e</sup> day of Election for that yeer & buried y<sup>e</sup> 14 3 86 being y<sup>e</sup> day y<sup>e</sup> Randolf came to new England

(having been Deacon 2 years & an half & Ruling Elder 17 years & 4 moneths.

April 4<sup>th</sup> 1692. Deacon John Capen deceased having been Deacon, 33, years, & almost 2<sup>mo</sup>.

June 28. 1700. at 2 or 3 h. P.M.—Elder James Blake departed this Life, in y<sup>e</sup> 77<sup>th</sup> Year of His Age & 14<sup>th</sup> year of his Eldership compleat & 19 days over: some of His Last Words in the Pastors Hearing were these: "Amen. Even so come Lord Jesus."

He was Deacon also 14 years, wanting a fortnight.)

## [12]

19 (2.) 54

we the deacons of dorchester were w<sup>th</sup> edward Breck & Received ffrom him one oxe. & an heffer prized at 9 pound therteene shillinges 4 pence by william Clerke & John Smith ffor the use of the Children of John Rigby. their markes under our handes are the oxe beinge at m<sup>r</sup> mather muche beffore. we cropt the tage of the nearer eare & ffor the heffer she beinge cut of the nearer eare beffore we cut the hither corner of & Cropt the fforther a Little fforther we Receaved 3 pound 16<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>d</sup> 13<sup>s</sup> of it upon accompt about 2 Cowes at Nashawaye w<sup>th</sup> the Childrens mother bought w<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>s</sup> that was had ffrom Robt Badcocke both are dead &



only a small yearlinge Liveinge upo that accompt & 3<sup>ii</sup> 3<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>d</sup> is in Edward Clap hands the same daye we gave a Receipt for 74 pound upo accompt & did demand security ffor 24 pound yet in his handes :

both ox & heffer are all blacke

17<sup>th</sup> (12) 54

Sould unto Henry Merrifeild an heffer ffor w<sup>ch</sup> he is to paye seaven Poundes by 35<sup>s</sup> a yeare in fflower yeares : ffor w<sup>ch</sup> he hath signed 4 bills w<sup>ch</sup> are in bro Clap handes ffor the use of John Rigby children

also sould unto John Plumbe an ox & 6 powndes whereof is paid 30<sup>s</sup> in Indian Corne & the Rest is secured by bro Clerke 30<sup>s</sup> & by Goodman Sanders 3<sup>ii</sup> next yeare at harvest.

9 (2) 55

Delivered unto Ed Clap 10 bus one pecke of Indian corne upo accompt of Rigby children w<sup>ch</sup> I Receaved ffrom John Plumbe — 1 — 10 — 9

p me Jo wiswall

[13] The 13<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12 Mo 58 was John Capen ordained Deacon to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Dorchester.

(¶. The 4<sup>th</sup> of Aprill 1692 Deacon John Capen a military officer 50 years at length a Capt : & Deacon of y<sup>e</sup> ch<sup>h</sup> 34 years in His fourscoreth Year Rested from His Labors & Slept in y<sup>e</sup> Lord.)

The 8<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> Eleventh Month 1664 being Saboth day deacon Edward Clap departed this lif & now resteth with the lord ther to keepe an eternal Saboth w<sup>th</sup> god & Christ in heaven. after y<sup>t</sup> he had faithfully served in y<sup>e</sup> office of a deacon for the space of about five or six and twenty yeers ; and being the first Church officer of this church that was taken away by death since the first Joyning together in Covenant which is now 28 yeers fower months and odd days

The 3<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1666 was James Humphrey ordained Deacon to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Dorchester.

The 2 of y<sup>e</sup> (12<sup>th</sup>) 66 Elder henery Withington departed this lif on y<sup>e</sup> last day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke towards night after he had faithfully served in y<sup>t</sup> office of a Rulling elder about 29 or 30 yers in this Church at Dorchester being y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Church officer y<sup>t</sup> was taken away by death

The 13 (11) 68 was James Humphry ordained a rulling Elder

The 23 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 69 Mr Mather y<sup>e</sup> teacher of this Church



departed this lif about 10 of y<sup>e</sup> Clock on y<sup>e</sup> evening before being y<sup>e</sup> first teaching officer y<sup>t</sup> have been taken away by death since y<sup>e</sup> first gathering of y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>ch</sup> is now 32 years & 8 months Complate

The 24 10<sup>th</sup> Mo 1671 M<sup>r</sup> George Minot Elder of y<sup>e</sup> Church he dyed one the Lords day about y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day being y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Church officer y<sup>t</sup> was taken away by death

The 30 4 72 James Blake was ordained a deakon to y<sup>e</sup> Church of dorchester look now of this one leaf back

[14] Dismissions of members of this church unto other churches w<sup>ch</sup> have been since John Capen was ordained Deacon: Colected & put together being untill this 16 of y<sup>e</sup> (1) 64 scattered up and downe in severall places of this Booke

[We omit all these entries, which are given *in loco*.]

The 14 (3) 65 was Edward Blake dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> new Church at Boston:

The 28 (3) 65 was Joseph Leeds dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Northampton Thankfull Baker (whose name was formerly ffoster) was dismissed to Joyne unto y<sup>e</sup> new Church at Boston y<sup>e</sup> 11 (4) 1665 The 3 (4) 66 Elizabeth ffrey (being marryed to a man at Water-towne) was dismissed to Joyn to y<sup>t</sup> Church Mary How also (who marryed to one Underwood of watter-towne) was the same day dismissed to Joyn to that church at watertowne The 17 4 66 was y<sup>e</sup> wife of Tho: mekins dismissed to Joyn to the Church at hadly at Qeenec-tecot

The 8<sup>th</sup> (7) 66 John Modesly y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Modesly was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> church at Winsor although not in full Communion with us but by vertue of his fathers being in Covenant w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church at Dorchester

The 17 (12) 66 Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Gabrill mead being marryed to a man at Cambridg was dismissed to Joyn to that Church though she was not [17] a member in full communion but by vertue of her fathers Covenant

y<sup>e</sup> wife of Gamalliell Beaman dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Lanchaster y<sup>e</sup> 24 (3) 68

Mr Robt Howard & his wife dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> first church at Boston y<sup>e</sup> 16 of August 1668

Mary y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Sister Smith being marryed to Captin Johnsons Sonne at Rocksbery, she was dismissed to that church y<sup>e</sup> 3 (11) 68 she being noe member in full Communion but by vertue of fathers Covenant





The 7<sup>th</sup> (1) 68 prais-ever Turner though not yet in full Comunion was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Northampton

The 6 (4) 69 y<sup>e</sup> two yonger daughters of Henery Woodward was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Northampton though neither of them are yet in full Communion

The 25 5 69 Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Trescot who marryed unto John Hemaway and Johana y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Richard Euens who marryed w<sup>th</sup> Joshua Hemaway weer both dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery though neither of them are yet in full Comunion

The 6 (1) 68 Sister Agnes Blake (y<sup>e</sup> wife of Will<sup>m</sup> Blake deceased) she haveing removed her dwelling to Boston was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> theird Church in Boston

The 27 (1) 70 Deacon Jn<sup>o</sup> Wiswall was dismissed y<sup>e</sup> first Church at Boston The 29 (3) 70 Henery Mason & his wif weer dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> first Church at boston

The 25 7 70 patience y<sup>e</sup> wif of Nathaniell Homes & daughter to Clement Toplif was dismissed to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Rocksbery though not yet in full Comunion with this Church

[18] The 9 (8) 70. a dafter of Sister Picher who marryed one bugbee of Rocksbery was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery she was not in full comunion

The 12 1 1671 John Holbrook was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery he was not in full Communion some there weer w<sup>ch</sup> did not act in this vote

18 12 71 Bathshuah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Tilstone who marryed w<sup>th</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Pason was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery she was not in full Comunion as yet

Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same day was John Blake dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> third Church in Boston Also Hannah g<sup>nd</sup>after of y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Hill wif to one ffisher dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Tanton & another of her daughters was dismissed y<sup>e</sup> same time but whether she was in full Comunion I doe not yett know: neither her name but since I understand y<sup>t</sup> her name is Rebeckah who is marryed to a man at Tanton & y<sup>t</sup> she was in full Comunion.

Ann Legar of Boston who was y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Blak sen<sup>r</sup> dismissed y<sup>e</sup> 21 : 2 : 72 to Joyne to the Church in Boston

The wife of Tho Meakins was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Hat-feild y<sup>e</sup> 2 4 72

ffrancis Hill that was; but now francis Asten was dismissed to Joyne y<sup>e</sup> Church at Tanton y<sup>e</sup> 28 4 : 74



John Gils dafter y<sup>e</sup> wife of Joseph belcher was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at brantree 6 (7) 74 she was not in full Comunion

old m<sup>rs</sup> Mather & Sister Clements was dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> therd Church in Boston y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11 74

M<sup>rs</sup> Taylor who was y<sup>e</sup> dafter of m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Church in boston though not in full Communion 1675

[19] in y<sup>e</sup> 6 m<sup>o</sup> 1676 The daughter of Nathaniell Glover now wif unto Mr Rawson of Boston she was dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Church in Boston though not in full Communion but by fathers Covenant

Dorcas y<sup>e</sup> neger being formerly a member of this Church was dismissed to joyn to y<sup>e</sup> first Church at boston y<sup>e</sup> 27 6 76

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Isack Joanes dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Church in Boston though not in full Communion y<sup>e</sup> 25 Aprill 80

Elizabeth Baker y<sup>e</sup> wif of Prat of Waymoth August 81 not in full Communion dismissed to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Waymoth and Jn<sup>o</sup> Beaman not in full Communion dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Tanton.

The 18 7 81 weer dismissed

And about a moneth after  
were Dismissed together  
w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Children —  
Eben<sup>r</sup> Claps Wife  
George Lyons Wife  
James Tuckers wife  
George Sumers wife

{ Thomas Swifts wif  
Anthony Newtons wif  
Tho Holmans wif  
y<sup>e</sup> widdow Salsbery &  
Ed Vose his wif all in full Com-  
union to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church at  
Melton both they & their  
Children

Incres Turnear not in full Comunion was dismissed to Joine to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Northampton Voted & granted in y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 82

The 2 (1) 8<sup>th</sup> Richard Hall Jun<sup>r</sup> though not in full Comunion was dismissed to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery

5 4 84 Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Chaplin & now y<sup>e</sup> wife of Joseph Goad not in full Comunion was dismissed to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery

y<sup>e</sup> first of y<sup>e</sup> 4 82 was dismissed m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Capen to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Topsfeild in order to his ordination of a pastor to that Church w<sup>ch</sup> was accomplished y<sup>e</sup> 11 4 84

y<sup>e</sup> 7 9 86 was dismissed y<sup>e</sup> wif of Johnathan Hill to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Bridgwater





y<sup>e</sup> 7 of August 87 was dismissed Samuell Trescott to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church at melton

The 2 7 88 was dismissed y<sup>e</sup> wife of Edward Vos to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church at melton & her dafter though not in full Comunion

[20] The 23 Sep 88 was dismissed the Children of Thomas Vose of melton Thomas & Henery Vose not in full Comunion but by mothers Covenant

The 25 of No 88 Ezra Clap was dismissed to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Melton

The same day was John Bolton dismissed to Joyn y<sup>e</sup> Church at Bridgwater

The 15 4 90 was Atherton Mather dismissed to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Winsor in Quenectecot though not in full Comunion

ocktober y<sup>e</sup> 20 95 was m<sup>ter</sup> Joseph Lord and Increase Sumner and william pratt wer dismissed for y<sup>e</sup> gathering of A church for y<sup>e</sup> South corelina.

[21] A list of y<sup>e</sup> names of thos who weer adult & have p'sonally in publike Submitted them selves to y<sup>e</sup> Goverment of Christ in y<sup>e</sup> Church & have assented to y<sup>e</sup> doctrin of faith & given Satisfaction before y<sup>e</sup> Elders Concerning their knowldg & afterward being p'posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church for their Satisfaction as to their Conversation & regular walking some time before their calling forth to owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

The 29 5 77 thes p'sons under named weer called uppon in y<sup>e</sup> publike & owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Mr Timothy Mather

Thomas Andrews

John Breck & his wife

Thomas Trot & his wife

mr Nathaniell Glover

Samuell Trescot

Samuell Maxfeild & his wife

Charles Davenport

Hopestill Humphry

Isack Humphry

John Blackman

Ebenezer Withington

James Baker

Richard Hall

Samuell Hall

Johnathan Hall

John Trescot

John Blake



Comfort &  
 Standfast ffoster  
 Elhanan Lyon  
 John Smith  
 Preserved Capen  
 Ann Davenport  
 Susanna y<sup>e</sup> wif of hope Clap  
 Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Eb Withington  
 y<sup>e</sup> wife of Samuell Hix  
 Elizabeth Blake  
 Hester Clap  
 Mary Hewens  
 Anna Withington  
 M<sup>rs</sup> Glover  
 Nehemiah Clap  
 Richard Euens  
 Matthias Euens.

[22] The 22 8 82 thes following had y<sup>e</sup> Covenant declared to them or the substance of it for their owning of it being y<sup>e</sup> first in Mr. Danforth time

Samuell Rigbys wif  
 Samuell Peltons wif  
 Joshu Henshaws wif &  
 Joseph Birch his wife

y<sup>e</sup> last of thes y<sup>e</sup> Elder said y<sup>e</sup> her father had been sent unto to own y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & he said he was willing to doe w<sup>t</sup> was needfull — but as yet he had not don it but his daughter did as y<sup>e</sup> rest owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant, her fathers name is Timothy Wales the son of goodman Wales her grandfather he was a member but not her Immediat parent.

8 3 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of Watching Atherton & dafter to Sam Rigbe & Mehittabell y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Sam Rigby being adult owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

10 4 83 James & Mary Smith being adult owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant being y<sup>e</sup> children of Jn<sup>o</sup> Smith deceased ther mother in full Comunion

24 4 83 Patience y<sup>e</sup> wife of Ed<sup>r</sup> Blake owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant in o<sup>r</sup> Church though her husband a member at Melton

Some time this year 84 y<sup>e</sup> wif of one Nile of Brantry y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Roger Belleng owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

14 4 85 Ebenezer Davenport son of Tho Davenport owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

The 20 of May 87 Robt Spur Jun<sup>r</sup> owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & had his Child baptized



The 11 of Sep 87 Mary goodall who is y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Tho Modesly owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & her Child baptized same day

The 8 of 11 87 Sarah & hanah y<sup>e</sup> grand daughters of Sister Merryfeild owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & weer both baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day

& y<sup>e</sup> wif of Ebenezer Joans Goodman Chaplins daughter she owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant y<sup>e</sup> same time

The 20 3 88 John Brown owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & had his Child baptized same day

Merriam y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Glover & dafter of Jn<sup>e</sup> Smith deceased owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant y<sup>e</sup> 24 march 88

Susana y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Sam Rigby owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & was baptized same day 9 of february 89 or 90

[23] m<sup>rs</sup> mils owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant y<sup>e</sup> 29 4 90

Joseph Mather owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant the 13 5 90 & had his child baptized same day

John & Israell Minot owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant y<sup>e</sup> 19 april 91 y<sup>e</sup> children of John Minot deceased

May y<sup>e</sup> 15 : 92 the wife of John Brown owned the covenant.

July y<sup>e</sup> 10 92 John Stiles y<sup>e</sup> wife of Joseph Bird; and Sarah leach. owned y<sup>e</sup> covenant John Stiles and Sarah leache wer batished. y<sup>e</sup> 17 July 92 and widow content mason was cast out of y<sup>e</sup> church the same day for her great wickednes Runing A way from her fathers house with peetter wood which was Another womans husbond : and for stealing of her fathers mony and other goods which shee caryed Away with her

July 3 92 wher as malachi holloway being A child of this church and living att Tanton was by A vote of this church Recomendd to the church of Tanton but he Refused to be under the wach of that church. excleming Aganst them. as being covenant Breakers and being no church of christ and so forth : the church of Tanton made complaint of him to the church of Dorchester of his contemptous carige declaring allso that he was other wise scandalus the church of Dorchester upon debate of the mater (on May 1<sup>st</sup> 91) desired the Elders to send to him to speak with him and deall with him about thes matters but tho they Sent once and Againe [24] all though he came thorow y<sup>e</sup> town of Dorchester yett he wold not com att the elders to speak with them now this 3 July 92 the Elders declaring this to y<sup>e</sup> church and y<sup>e</sup> church wotted for to send to him to come before them

The Elders discoursed him at Tanton & dealt with Him





& upon what He spake to them the matter was deferred, on hopes that He might be recovered.

July. 21. 95. Mary maroh Admitted to Enter y<sup>e</sup> Covenant in order to her Baptisme

Agust y<sup>e</sup> 4 95 Damaris y<sup>e</sup> wife of James haws entred y<sup>e</sup> covenant

[25] Information of Elder Topliff

Major Bourn by John Andrews, on y<sup>e</sup> oth<sup>r</sup> side of y<sup>e</sup> way  
Mr Ludloes sold to m<sup>r</sup> Hull & H. Leveret at last to m<sup>r</sup>  
Stoughton

Mr Rossiter mr Howards

Mr Bates

Mr Eells dwelt at Fox point : sold His Land to m<sup>r</sup> Patten

Major Clark in mr Jones's Lane

Mr Mathers Sold to E. Williams.

Mr Bur Jones

Mr Wilson in mr Leeds Lane

Mr Phillips in mr Leeds Lane Sold to m<sup>r</sup> Garnsey.

Mr Garnsey in Leeds lane Sold to m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton

Capt. Hawkins dwelt on Southwest side of Fox point

M<sup>r</sup> Holland

M<sup>r</sup> Patten at Fox Point

M<sup>r</sup> Gibson — by Father ways

M<sup>r</sup> Houghton in old m<sup>r</sup> wm Blakes house Sold to mr Capen

M<sup>r</sup> Beaumont bought & built on part of m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Jones  
field

D<sup>r</sup> Memory By Fath<sup>r</sup> Maudsleys

M<sup>r</sup> Sellick with m<sup>r</sup> Gibson by Father Ways

M<sup>r</sup> Collicot — Lieutenant Halls

M<sup>r</sup> Flints bought of m<sup>r</sup> Clark — now L<sup>t</sup> wiswells

M<sup>r</sup> Purchase J Capens

M<sup>r</sup> Millet Town Records in part burnt in His House.

M<sup>r</sup> Procters — sold to David Jones

M<sup>r</sup> Shepard Fath<sup>r</sup> Hixes old house & orchard

M<sup>r</sup> Meads where Capt Fosters malthouse is.

M<sup>r</sup> Lake

M<sup>r</sup> Davis — where y<sup>e</sup> ministry house now stands

M<sup>r</sup> Bullock dwelt at Fox Point

M<sup>r</sup> Pattens at Fox Point over against Capt : Hawkins.

M<sup>r</sup> Gurnet }  
John Mason } on y<sup>e</sup> right hand going to Fox Point

M<sup>r</sup> Clements — Sold to m<sup>r</sup> Humfrey — near m<sup>r</sup> Capens

John Popes — in Desire Claps Land in y<sup>e</sup> way to Roxbury



Mr Pooles — w<sup>r</sup> Francis Price lives.  
 Major Tings bought Last by Col. Tailer, or m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton.  
 Margery Lever  
 George Procter — His House sold to David Jones then to  
 J. Baiton  
 Mr Plimbles sold to Col. Spur.  
 Robert Stanton — in y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>t</sup> is now m<sup>r</sup> Lions East orchard  
 Benj. Merrifields in y<sup>e</sup> Country Rode — sold to wiat &  
 Trots.  
 W<sup>m</sup> Rones — wr m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Royal lives  
 Bray Wilkins by old m<sup>r</sup> Math's or y<sup>e</sup> same now Eb.  
 Williams  
 Father Greenows } Jos. Bird lived there  
 Ursula Battens }  
 Birst. Cane a free Negro, wr Fath<sup>r</sup> Woods lived. David  
 Smiths.  
 Mr Howards — wr Jon Jones lives & His orch<sup>d</sup> sold to m<sup>r</sup>  
 Stoughton  
 Mr Way wr Capt Brecks Cider mill is.  
 Mr Georges — by Nathan Bradley  
 Mr Wales } both near y<sup>e</sup> wharf  
 Mr Lawrance }  
 Saml Peltons near m<sup>r</sup> Glovers  
 Mr Rigbey of m<sup>r</sup> Holman Elder Prats & now Hopestil  
 Capens.  
 Father Sanders — Fr. Bacons by moth<sup>r</sup> Georges.  
 Fath<sup>r</sup> Bartholomew. ov<sup>r</sup> agst m<sup>r</sup> Mathe's or williams's.  
 Mr Bates He built first y<sup>e</sup> Mill going to y<sup>e</sup> Neck.  
 Fath<sup>r</sup> Dier — m<sup>r</sup> Trescots now Eb. Maudslys Jun<sup>r</sup>.

## [26]

5 March 7<sup>e</sup>

mr flints exhortation to the Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church taken  
 breifly as he spake it by J C

To y<sup>e</sup> seed of y<sup>e</sup> Church

first Consider that you are by yo<sup>r</sup> beirth taken in to y<sup>e</sup>  
 Church as being y<sup>e</sup> seed of y<sup>e</sup> Church 17 genesis I will be  
 their god & y<sup>e</sup> god of their seed after them in their genera-  
 tions hence y<sup>e</sup> apostles doe aply that in y<sup>e</sup> 2 acts 36 y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>mise  
 is to you & to yo<sup>r</sup> seed &c soe y<sup>t</sup> it is y<sup>e</sup> faithfull & their  
 seed & their Children y<sup>t</sup> are called: that is thos that are soe  
 vizibly soe, & upon this they weer baptized & after y<sup>t</sup> they  
 weer in com<sup>u</sup>nion with y<sup>e</sup> Church

1 Cor 7 14 y<sup>e</sup> unbelieving husband is sanctified &c y<sup>t</sup> is



with federal hollynes, therefore all y<sup>e</sup> children of y<sup>e</sup> faithful they are borne in y<sup>e</sup> Covenant, and this is y<sup>e</sup> great p<sup>r</sup>veledg of y<sup>e</sup> godly, & by this they are distinguished from pagons & heathen

- 2 Consider y<sup>t</sup> you have been p<sup>r</sup>veledged with y<sup>e</sup> means of grace upon this being in y<sup>e</sup> Covenant to you belong y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>misses & you have had saboths & teachings 59 Esa 1 vs. my spirit shall not depart & y<sup>t</sup> is they shall have y<sup>e</sup> means of grace. and you have enjoyed all this under a Covenant, this have been yo<sup>r</sup> great p<sup>r</sup>veledg. therefore beware of shewing any unbeseeing fram of sperit 3 Rom 6 what advantageth y<sup>e</sup> Jew & c and if you have been unprofitable under it y<sup>e</sup> fault is yours
- 3 Consider y<sup>t</sup> you have been baptized; & soe have made a vow & given up yo<sup>r</sup> selves unto y<sup>e</sup> lord 1 Cor 12 13 therefore Consider how sollemly you ther engaged to owne yo<sup>r</sup> union with y<sup>e</sup> body of Christ which is his Church
- 4 Consider how great and sollemne p<sup>r</sup>fession you are Called upon to make this day, he y<sup>t</sup> cannot say that he will not be a shebolith [27] will be noe benjamite this day god requiers y<sup>t</sup> you should heer him, & submite yo<sup>r</sup>selves unto him, beware therfor of Casting off yo<sup>r</sup> subjection to y<sup>e</sup> lord Jesus christ. god will receive it in heaven & will Charge it upon such as shall reject it, but I hope better things of you 1 Cor 12 13 noe man calleth Jesus lord but by y<sup>e</sup> sperit, therefore thos y<sup>t</sup> will not call Christ their lord he have not y<sup>e</sup> sperit, let none Count it a small matter to disowne y<sup>e</sup> lord Jesus Christ
- 5 Lastly be sure to be sencear doe not put of y<sup>e</sup> lord Jesus with a meere formall p<sup>r</sup>fession, but say it in y<sup>e</sup> sperit be not Children 18 Psal latter end, it was said of david y<sup>t</sup> his Children should ly unto him, but god calls for other things 63 Esa 9 therefore look up to god in y<sup>e</sup> feare of god for y<sup>e</sup> help of his sperit y<sup>t</sup> what you profess with with yo<sup>r</sup> tongue you may own it sensearly w<sup>th</sup> your harts

March 4 74

#### Dorchesters Covenant for Reformation

Uppon serious search into o<sup>r</sup> owne hart & ways in this day of divine Rebuk finding o<sup>r</sup> selves guilty of many hainous violations of o<sup>r</sup> holly Covenant by omissions of duty & Commissions of Iniquitie Wee doe Judge & Condemn our selves for y<sup>e</sup> same, & doe Joyntly & severaly Renew our said holly





Covenant with god & one with another ffurthor p'ticularly & sollemnly promising in the name & by y<sup>e</sup> grace of o<sup>r</sup> Lord Jesus

first to Reforme our owne harts, by endeavoring to recover y<sup>e</sup> sperit life & power of godlines, with our first love faith zeale & integritie: laboring by y<sup>e</sup> sperite to mortefie y<sup>e</sup> deeds of y<sup>e</sup> flesh, and to have & maintayn a most impartiall zeale against sin, & to waite on o<sup>r</sup> lord Jesus for y<sup>e</sup> fresh Communication of y<sup>e</sup> sperit of grace & life

Secondly to Reforme o<sup>r</sup> famelys, Engageing our selves to a Concientious Care to set up & maintaine the [28] Worship of god in them and to walk in o<sup>r</sup> houses with perfect harts in a faithfull discharge of all Domestick dutys: Educating Instructing & Charging our Children and our households, to keepe y<sup>e</sup> ways of y<sup>e</sup> lord; Restraining them as much as in us lyeth, from all evil & especially y<sup>e</sup> Sins of y<sup>e</sup> times and watching over them in y<sup>e</sup> lord

Thirdly to Reforme (according to our place & power) the generall growing evill of this time; as prid appearing in gaudy apparell or otherwise and prophanesses, and prophana-tion of gods holly Saboth taking gods holy name in vaine all irreverance in y<sup>e</sup> ordinances & worship of god, disobedience to Superiors, in family, town, Church or Common Wealth, drunknes, Idlenes, Vaine Company keeping, Un-righteous dealling between man & man, lasciviousnes, Uncleanness, false speaking, Slandering, Coveting, with all other Violations of gods holy law

flowerthly to Reforme our Church, to lay aside all Envy, wrath, Evill Surmises, Jelousies, Respect of p'sons, Undue designings, sidings, Contentions, & what ever is Contrary to sound love & Charitie; to owne & obay them y<sup>t</sup> are over us in y<sup>e</sup> lord To uphold, maintaine, encourage, cleave to & stand by a godly able painfull faithfull powerfull ministry in this Church & Congregation; and to o<sup>r</sup> power to Encurrage Cleave to & stand by one another, in times of p'secution, to labour to recover (in a Joint Concurrence with y<sup>e</sup> ministeriall authoritie which Christ hath appointed in his Church) the Vigorous, studious & impartiall Adminestration of discipline, to uphold y<sup>e</sup> due administration of all gods holy ordinances, to be very serious & solimn in o<sup>r</sup> preparations unto, and attendance uppon god in all divine Worship & Sabbaths, fasts, Sacraments, that we may obtaine y<sup>e</sup> saving good of them & gods presence and blessing in & by them, & that y<sup>e</sup> lord Jesus may grant us a regular and beautifull disposition according to y<sup>e</sup> laws & rules of y<sup>e</sup> gosple in all things



[29] fifthly To Reforme our defects and neglects of duty toward y<sup>e</sup> Children of y<sup>e</sup> Covenant, humbly & from o<sup>r</sup> harts accknowledging & bewailling o<sup>r</sup> sin heerin, beseeching & waiting upon god in o<sup>r</sup> lord Jesus for pardon & healling by his name.

unto y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>formance of thes things wee doe in y<sup>e</sup> name of o<sup>r</sup> lord Jesus Christ Engage o<sup>r</sup> selves unto god taking this holy Covenant by a renewed act of Confederation uppon o<sup>r</sup> selves Sollemly with full purpos of hart in y<sup>e</sup> strength of Christ to stand to it in all y<sup>e</sup> parts of it, and in the full obligation & extent of it. beging of god guidance grace & healling for his nams sake Amen

## [30]

1651

25 (2) 52

James Blake et uxor  
William Sumner Jr & uxor William Blake  
Isaac Jones  
John Holland

3 (8) 52

Edward Blake,  
mary Lawrance

Nathaniell Glover }  
Henry Layeland } 22 (3) 53

14 (8) 55

Richard Waye fformely a member upō his Removall neare unto Salem was dismissed thither & joyned there but upon his Returne unto Dorchester he was haveinge his dismission there Receyved unto the church of Dorchester w<sup>th</sup>out any Relatio only standinge fforth and owninge & assenting to the Covenant breiffly Repeated unto him: the same day was Admitted his wiffe Hester Waye 14 (8) 55 & Hannah Bilinge

## [31]

18 (3) 1656

The day abovesaid was admitted into church ffellowshipe theise p<sup>s</sup>ons underwritten upō occasiō of different exp<sup>s</sup>ions used in y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>poundinge of them, at ffirst unto the churches Consideratio viz that some were in some degr. of member-shipe more then other Edw Breke at their admissiō asked y<sup>e</sup> quē ffirst whether one of y<sup>m</sup> he named was a member



beinge ansrd negatively he Replied he could not act in a waye of sep<sup>ati</sup>o: wh word was taken offensively, but he offered to maintaine his p<sup>s</sup>ent speech & fformer 11 (3) 56: & ffurther said he beleived and owned her p member.

Ammiell Weekes  
et uxo<sup>r</sup> ejus } 18 (3) 1656  
uxo<sup>r</sup> william Weekes }

Since then Roger Sumner & his brother were Admitted  
Hester Mason } 1 (12) 56  
goody et Beaman }

## [32]

1658

1659

## Admissions

Daved Joanes } (4) 58  
M<sup>r</sup> Pelletyah Glover & } 26 (7) 58  
M<sup>r</sup> Eliazer Mather }  
Enoch Wiswell }  
Samuell Clap } 13<sup>day</sup> (12) 58  
Thomas Moadesley }

The same day M<sup>rs</sup> Mather & her Daughter Mary Cotton weer dismissed from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Boston & upon making their relation of y<sup>e</sup> work of faith was admitted into y<sup>e</sup> Church

The same day alsoe Clement Maxfeild & Mary his wife being formerly members of this Church & remouving to Tanton for some time weer dismissed thether & upon their retorn againe to this Church weer admitted only upon ther renewing their Covenant

The same day also was John Capen ordained Deacon

Nathaniell Clap }  
Thankfull ffoster } admitted y<sup>e</sup>  
Prudence Clapp }  
Sarah Clap & } 20<sup>d</sup> (12) 58  
Elizabeth Clap }

Jacob Hewens & Mary the wife of  
Rodger Sumner } 20<sup>d</sup> (1) 58<sup>s</sup>  
Abraham Staple }

Joseph }  
Benjamin & } Leeds & } 17<sup>d</sup> (2) 59  
Hannah }  
Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Jacob Hewens }  
John Blackman & Sarah his wife &  
Elizabeth & }  
Mary } ffry being dismissed from y<sup>e</sup> Church of  
Waymouth viz: the two latter p<sup>s</sup>ons  
they wer all admitted y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>d</sup> (5) 59





## [33]

Admissions      1660      1661      1662

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> wife of Henery Garnesy admitted y<sup>e</sup> 22 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 60

The day above said hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Andrews desired letters of dismission to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Rocksbury allthough she was not statted member but by vertue of her parents Covenant: & it was granted only b<sup>r</sup> Breck (a presbyterian &) ffoster (an Independ<sup>t</sup>) & Mead would not act w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church. The same Day M<sup>rs</sup> Mary Glover who lattly Married to Mr Hinkly about Sandidg desired letters of dismission to y<sup>t</sup> Church ther but weer not at that time granted: it being soe suddently after her removall thither & they not being in a Capaccety for y<sup>e</sup> injoyment of y<sup>e</sup> ordinances haveing noe officers for to dispense y<sup>e</sup> same

The 27 (8) 61

The day abovesaid m<sup>r</sup> Increase Mather was admitted into the Church

The 9<sup>th</sup> (1) 61<sup>1</sup> was admitted unto full Communion w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church James White and Margaret y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Trobridg and Hanah Hill

Hannah y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Minot and Mary Atherton admitted to full Communion the 13 (5) 62

John Gill admitted the 21 (7) 62

Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Thomas Moadesly admitted the 8 (12) 62

M<sup>r</sup> Inceas Mather & his wife wer dismissed to Joyn to the new church at Boston the 12 (2) 63.

Goodwife Dickerman dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Meadfeild wheer her husband doe live y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> (4) 63

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1663

1664

1665

the 25 (8) 63

Nathaniell Clark y<sup>e</sup> sonne of william Clarke who was not in full Communion w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church was dismissed for to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Churh his father was formerly dismissed & Joyned

The 3 of y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Mo 64

The wife of Roger Sumner was dismissed to Joyne unto y<sup>e</sup> Church at Lanchaster

Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same time was Joane the wife of John Ellice of Meadfeild (who formerly was y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Clapp) dismissed to Joyn to the Church at Meadfeild



## The 11 (7) 64

The day above said ther was admitted to y<sup>e</sup> Church the wife of William Chapman & Mary y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of goodman How

The same day was dismissed the wife of Tho Wiswall & y<sup>e</sup> wife of goo: Kimwright w<sup>ch</sup> was y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Hollond & Margaret y<sup>e</sup> wif of James Trowbridg all of them to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup> Church latly gathered at Cambridg Villedg called Nonantum wher Mr John Elliot is pastor (since Newtown)

The 25 (7) 64 ther was dismissed M<sup>rs</sup> Dummer who was formerly y<sup>e</sup> wife of m<sup>r</sup> Burr to Joyne to the Church at Rowly

The 12<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (12) moneth 64 ther was admitted into y<sup>e</sup> Church True-cross y<sup>e</sup> wife of Stephen Minot & Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Hill

Ebenezer Clap was admitted into full Communion w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church the 21 of y<sup>e</sup> (3) 65

The 27 (6) 65 ther was admitted into y<sup>e</sup> Church thes p'sons  
 Thomas pearce { Ruth y<sup>e</sup> wife of  
 Timothy Tilston { Timothy ffoster  
 and

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1665      66      67      68

And Sarah y<sup>e</sup> wife of Timothy Tilston who was alsoe Baptized y<sup>e</sup> same time alsoe being not baptized before

The 26 (9) 65 was admitted into full Communion

Obediah Haawes

John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup>

Nicholas George

Robbert Spur &

Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> wif of Samuella Sumner

The 4 (1) 65-6 admitted

John Minot

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> wif of david Joans

Mary Euens (since Bradley)

The 21 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 67 was Susanna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William daniell admitted to full Communion

Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Humphrey & Sarah y<sup>e</sup> wife of Increas Sumner weer both admitted y<sup>e</sup> 8 (7) 1667

Judeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of Jasper Rush & Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Obediah Haws & Sarah y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Homes admitted y<sup>e</sup> 3 (9) 67.

Deborah y<sup>e</sup> wife of Robt Searl admitted y<sup>e</sup> 8 (1) 1667-8

Henry Leadbetter & Sarah his wife and George Lyan & Hannah his wif all admitted y<sup>e</sup> 5 (2<sup>d</sup>) 1668



M<sup>r</sup> William Stoughton and M<sup>r</sup> Josiah flint admitted the  
12 of y<sup>e</sup> 9 m<sup>o</sup> 1671

The 31 (1) 72 weer admitted m<sup>r</sup> William pole & his wif &  
m<sup>rs</sup> Withington all members of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Tanton & being  
dismissed weer receaved without relation, only entering into  
Covenant

The same time admitted Susanna the wif of John Capen  
Jun<sup>r</sup> and Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Bird & Mary Capen y<sup>e</sup>  
daughter of John Capen sen<sup>r</sup>

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y<sup>e</sup> wife of Henery More Admitted y<sup>e</sup> 21 5 72

The 4 11 72 weer admitted

Obadiah Swift

Joseph weeks

John Bird

Eliazer Hawes

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> wife of James whit

Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Bird

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of Nathaniell Clap

James ffoster admitted the 16 (1) 7 2-3

Samuell Toplif & his wife and John Withington admitted  
y<sup>e</sup> 27 2 73

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Tolman admitted y<sup>e</sup> 17 6 73  
being dismissed or recommended unto this Church by y<sup>e</sup>  
Church at Lin though not in full Com<sup>u</sup>nion but by her  
relation was received

y<sup>e</sup> wife of Georg Sumner Admitted y<sup>e</sup> 12 8 73

Samuell Capen Admitted the 4<sup>th</sup> 11 73

The wife of James Robinson admitted y<sup>e</sup> 15 12 73

Thomas Tolman Jun<sup>r</sup> & his wife admitted y<sup>e</sup> 17 3 74

Israell mead & his wife admitted y<sup>e</sup> 16 6 74

Barnard Capen admitted the 8 9 74

John Tolman admitted }  
Henery withington & }  
Inceas Sumner— }

Hope Clap }  
Desier Clap & }  
Sarah Clap admitted }

Danell preston Jun & his wife Jn<sup>o</sup> Baker & preserved his  
wife & y<sup>e</sup> wife of Samuell Robinson all admitted y<sup>e</sup> 2 11 76  
at m<sup>r</sup> flints hous Thanfull Baker widdow formerly a mem-  
ber of this Church & dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Church in Boston  
was readmitted againe y<sup>e</sup> 15 2 77 being dismissed from y<sup>e</sup>  
Church





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77      78      79      80      81

The 7 May 1677 ther was admitted into full Communion  
thes p'sons following

James Blake Jun<sup>r</sup>

Thomas Holman & Abigall his wif

y<sup>e</sup> widdow Salsbery

Waite : y<sup>e</sup> wif of Tho Vose

y<sup>e</sup> wife of Edward Vose

Susanna y<sup>e</sup> wife of Samuells Capen

Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Samuells paule

Martha y<sup>e</sup> wife of Eeben : Williams

y<sup>e</sup> wife of Roger willice

John Wales Sen<sup>r</sup>

The 5 6 77 ther was admitted

Samuells Hix &

y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Tucker the daughter of Tho Tolman Sen<sup>r</sup>

The 2 8 77 was admitted

Ephraim & { Tucker  
Manaseth

Nathaniell Glover

preserved Capen.

y<sup>e</sup> wife of Ebenezer Clap

y<sup>e</sup> wife of William Ryall

Sarah Davenport

The 4 9 77 admitted James Tucker &

Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Samuells Maxfeld

William Ryall admitted y<sup>e</sup> {  
& y<sup>e</sup> wife of Richard Butt — } 14 2 78

The 26 3 78 was admitted the wife of Thomas Andrews

Susana y<sup>e</sup> wif of Hopestill Clap & the wif of ffrances Ball  
admitted y<sup>e</sup> 17 No 78 being y<sup>e</sup> first day of meeting at y<sup>e</sup>  
New meeting hous

Joseph Leeds &

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of Jn<sup>o</sup> Withington admitted the 12 8 79

The 28 March 80 admitted

Jn<sup>o</sup> pason

Israell How

Barnard Capen wif

Joseph Skiltens wif

Hanah Capen admitted y<sup>e</sup> 8 (6) 80

m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Capen admitted y<sup>e</sup> 19 12 81

m<sup>r</sup> John Danforth admitted y 19 12 81

thes two last weer admitted before wee had a teaching  
officer



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82      83      84

The 20 6 82 there was admitted to full Coṁunion thes y<sup>t</sup> follow

Goodman Heauen

Nehemiah Clap & his wife who was dismissed from Hingham

John Trescot &

Samuell Trescots wife these weer y<sup>e</sup> first y<sup>t</sup> weer admitted since m<sup>r</sup> Danforth was ordained.

The 12 9 82 admitted to full Comunion Merriam y<sup>e</sup> wife of Ellis wood

The 28 11 82 admitted to full Coṁunion Roger Belleng Jun<sup>r</sup> & Ebenezer Williams

The 18 1 8<sup>3</sup> Charles Davenport & his wif & Tho Bird's wife admitted to full Coṁunion

The 2 10 83 Timothy ffoster wife being dismissed from the Church at Charlstowne was admitted to full Coṁunion w<sup>th</sup> us

The 23 10 83 The wife of Henry Roberts was admitted to full Coṁunion

The 17 12 83 was admitted mary Taylor y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Will<sup>m</sup> Chaplin to full Coṁunion

The 30 (1) 8<sup>3</sup> was admitted to full Coṁunion Samuell pason & y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Barbor & Constance Withington

The 22 4 84 was Joseph Leeds his wife admitted to full Coṁunion

The 3 6 84 admitted to full Coṁunion Sarah y<sup>e</sup> Widdow of Elisha ffoster & Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of preserved Capen

The 26 October 84 was admitted to full Coṁunion

Samuell &

Susana Capen y<sup>e</sup> Sone & dafter of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> & y<sup>e</sup> same day he had a dafter baptized whos name is Hannah borne y<sup>e</sup> 21 8 84 in y<sup>e</sup> Morning

The 11 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 M<sup>o</sup> 84 weer admitted to full Coṁunion Ephraim pason & Katteron his wife

The 12 2 85 admitted to full Communion M<sup>rs</sup> flint & Elizabeth weibb & Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Tho peirce

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The 16 6 85 was admitted to full Coṁunion

John Bolton

Thankfull weeks &

Sarah Trescot



The 21 (1) 8<sup>5</sup>: Noah Beaman & Ebenezer Weeks admitted to full Communion

The 25 5 86 was y<sup>e</sup> widdow Lawranc y<sup>e</sup> wif of Nicholas Lawrance admitted to full Communion

The 3 8 86 was Henry Garnesy admitted to full Communion (Notwithstanding His opinion for Prelacy)

John Blake &

Elizabeth his sister weer both admitted to full Communion y<sup>e</sup> 26 10 86

The 15 3 87 weer admitted to full Communion

John Breck & his wife

Ebenezer Bellenge and

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Blake Jun<sup>r</sup>

The 6 of November 87 was admitted to full Communion y<sup>e</sup> wif of William Trescot & y<sup>e</sup> wif of Henery Withington & Ebenezer Lyon

Mr Nathaniell Clap & Thomas Trot Jun<sup>r</sup> admitted y<sup>e</sup> 10 1 8<sup>8</sup>

peter Lyon Jun<sup>r</sup> admitted 2 4 89

Standfast ffoster & his wif admitted to full Communion y<sup>e</sup> 16 No 89

Thankfull &

daughters of Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen Jun<sup>r</sup>

Sarah y<sup>e</sup>

admitted to full Communion

y<sup>e</sup> 16 12 8<sup>9</sup>

March 30 90 David Jones Jun<sup>r</sup>: Eb:

Jones wife y<sup>e</sup> wif of John pason (viz)

Hanna (Payson) & Johana his dafter admitted to full Communion

y<sup>e</sup> 3 of August 90

y<sup>e</sup> wife of peter lyon and mehittabell Lion admitted to full Comunion

y<sup>e</sup> 21 10 90

y<sup>e</sup> wife of Hope Humphrey admitted 22 1 9<sup>1</sup>

The 15 June 91 was admitted to full Comunion

Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Samuell pason & anna y<sup>e</sup> wife of James ffoster & Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Thomas Modesly

The 2<sup>d</sup> of August Admitted to Full Communion

Mary The wife of Samuel Wales.

Samuel Wales himself admitted to full Communion y<sup>e</sup> 13 Sep 91

John y<sup>e</sup> son of Thomas peirce admitted y<sup>e</sup> 7 1 9<sup>1</sup>

8: 12, 90 Tim. Tileston Robt Spurs wife & Ruth Foster

4. 8. 91. Sam. Trot: Miriam Triscot own<sup>d</sup> Covent

5. 1. 92. John Pierce own<sup>d</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>





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92

Maye y<sup>e</sup> 15 widow pope was Admitted Into y<sup>e</sup> church. September y<sup>e</sup> 11 92 Elias wood being A member of y<sup>e</sup> church of Deadam now living In Dorchester was dismissed from them: and was Admitted Into y<sup>e</sup> church

March y<sup>e</sup> 19 93 william prat and his wife wer dismissed from y<sup>e</sup> church of waymouth to y<sup>e</sup> church of Dorchester and wer Admitted Into y<sup>e</sup> church y<sup>e</sup> sam day

Aprill y<sup>e</sup> 30 93 Jearns Bishop and John clape wer Admitted Into y<sup>e</sup> church.

may y<sup>e</sup> 1 93 Thomas Andrews was Admitted to full Communion

June y<sup>e</sup> 18 93 philip withington and his wife: Joseph weeks and his wife: Johnathan Clap and his sister Elizeb y<sup>e</sup> son and daughter of nathaniell Clape wer Admitted to full communion

June y<sup>e</sup> 25 93 Joshua story and Ebenezar Billings wife wer Admitted Into y<sup>e</sup> church

July y<sup>e</sup> 30 93 Dorothy capen daughter of John capen was Admitted to full communion

July y<sup>e</sup> 15 94 the wife of Thomas Tollman Jun was admitted to full communion. the same day y<sup>e</sup> wife of Thomas moadsly (Jun) was also admitted

September y 2<sup>d</sup> 94 m<sup>r</sup> lord our scoole master was admitted to full communion

(21. 6. 92 M<sup>r</sup> Wiswall was admitted into full Com:)

october y<sup>e</sup> 14: 94 Joseph bewens was admitted to full communion

January y<sup>e</sup> 13 95 Samuell paul was admitted to full communion

february y<sup>e</sup> 24 95 Thomas Euens was admitted to full communion

Aprill y<sup>e</sup> 7 95 m<sup>r</sup> henery flint was admitted to ful communion febr 23<sup>d</sup> Rebecca wife of Jonathan Jones (1695-6 admitted to full Communion

April 5. 96 Eliz: Wife of Jonathan Hall was taken into full communion)

Nov. 1. 96. M<sup>r</sup> Danforth—

mercy Trot wife of S. Trot }

Susanna Bradley— }

were

accepted

to full Com:

Febr. 14. 96: deliverance wife of Jos. Withington admitted to full Communion. Sarah Pearse Daught<sup>r</sup> of Tho Pearse accepted to Communion



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(The wife of Benj. Leeds admitted to full Communion Je-  
mima Blackman)

febr. 26. 98 M<sup>r</sup> Josiah Flint admitted to full Communion

April. 2. 99. Mary the Wife of John Minot & Mary the  
wife of John Browne were admitted unto full Communion.

April. 9<sup>th</sup> 99. Ebenezer Clap son of Broth<sup>r</sup> Nath: Clap &  
Sarah wife of Peter Hix admitted to full Communion

May. 7<sup>th</sup>. 99. Ebenezer Maudsley & Miriam y<sup>e</sup> wife of  
James Bird Junior were admitted unto full Communion.

May. 21: 99. Samuel Clap junior & Patience wife of Noah  
Beamon were admitted unto full Communion.

August. 20. 99. Sarah y<sup>e</sup> wife of Desire Clap was admitted  
unto full Communion.

October. 15. 99. m<sup>r</sup> John Robinson admitted to full Com-  
union

Novemb<sup>r</sup> 26. 99. Humfry Atherton admitted to full Com-  
union.

January. 14. 99. John Tolman jun & Susannah His wife  
admitted to full Communion.

April the 7<sup>th</sup> 1700. Johanna The wife of Joseph Bird Abi-  
gaile y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Pearse & Mary wife of Samuel Paul  
admitted to full Communion

July. 14. 1700. Elizabeth Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Pearse was  
admitted to full Communion.

January 12: 1700. Hoptestill & Isaac & Ruth Humfrys  
admitted to full Communion.

In Jan. & Febr. 1701. were admitted to full Communion.

Ensign James Bird

Robert Spur

John Blackman

Joseph Leeds & His wife

Thomas Lion

Smith Woodward

Samuel Claps wife

Humfry Athertons wife

10. Oliver Wiswall & His wife

March. 1. 1702: Benj. Blackman admitted.

Feb. 7. 1703 Ebenezer withington & His wife admitted to  
full Communion

Nov. 7. 1703 Abigail wife of Obadiah Swift admitted to  
full Communion

Febr. 25. 1704. M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Wiswall o<sup>r</sup> schoolmaster was  
admitted into full Communion.

July. 8. 1705: Mary daughter of John Blake was admitted  
into Full communion.



August. 19. 1705. Hannah Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> John Capen was admitted unto full Comunion.

March. 2. 1705<sup>8</sup> Hannah & Elizabeth Glover Admitted.

April. 13. 1707 James Trott was admitted to full Com<sup>n</sup>

May. 25. 1707. Ebenezer Withington Junior was admitted to full Comunion.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 28. 1707. John Withington & His Cousen Samuel Withington & Samuel Hall were admitted to Full Comunion.

March. 21. 1708<sup>8</sup> These 5 were admitted to full Com<sup>n</sup> : viz

Irijah Wales & His wife

Jabez Searle & His wife

& wid : Hall

May 2. 1708 { Joseph Maudsley  
& His wife  
Samuel Tolman  
& His wife } admitted to full  
Comunion

January. 16. Eliz. wife of Jonathan Hall

1708<sup>8</sup> & Daughter of Deacon Clap admitted to full  
Comunion

Feb<sup>r</sup> 20. Lidia wife of Ebenezer Jones

(Here follow thirty-nine blank leaves: then we find records of much earlier date, which should be connected with pages [12] and [190].)

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The 15<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (4) 59 ther was a ginerall day of Humiliation in all y<sup>e</sup> Churches of this Jurisdiction for thes Reasons viz

In y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of o<sup>r</sup> Native Cuntry y<sup>e</sup> feares of Comotions & trouble breaking forth in Cuntry & parlament

y<sup>e</sup> erreperable rents & devissions in many Churches in this Cuntry espesally Hartford

y<sup>e</sup> hand of god gon out against us in y<sup>e</sup> unseasonable wett & raigne this last spring

y<sup>e</sup> sad face of things in regard of y<sup>e</sup> rising generattion

m<sup>r</sup> pelletiah Glover preached in y<sup>e</sup> fore noone from y<sup>e</sup> 2 Cron: 7 14: 15: 16 m<sup>r</sup> Mather preacht in y<sup>e</sup> Afternoone from y 6 Hosea 1

## The 5 of y<sup>e</sup> (5) 59

This day the Teaching & rulling elders of o<sup>r</sup> Church as messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Church mett at Rocksbery, w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> messengers of other Churches, for to heare the Indeans make a relation, of the worke of God upon ther soull: at w<sup>th</sup> time ther weer six made ther relation in the Indian tongue, & repeated by m<sup>r</sup> Eliat in English wittnessed unto y<sup>e</sup> truth of his trans-





lation, by m<sup>r</sup> pearson of long Island, & Goodman ffordgier [Folger] of Martins Vinyard: & m<sup>r</sup> Eliats owne sone: & because y<sup>e</sup> time would not p<sup>r</sup>mit for y<sup>e</sup> other two Indians to make ther relation at that time, therefore y<sup>e</sup> relation w<sup>ch</sup> they had made y<sup>e</sup> day before unto m<sup>r</sup> pearson in privat it was declared by m<sup>r</sup> pearson: & many questions put to y<sup>e</sup> Indians in point of knowledg to y<sup>e</sup> great rejoising of y<sup>e</sup> hearers & soe it was left in y<sup>e</sup> Closs of y<sup>e</sup> day to y<sup>e</sup> Counsell of y<sup>e</sup> messengers of y<sup>e</sup> churches what was next to be done

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The 3 of y<sup>e</sup> (5) 59

This day letters were read in y<sup>e</sup> Curch from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court at Quenectecot, & from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Hartford y<sup>e</sup> substance wherof was y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> church of dorchester would send M<sup>r</sup> Mather w<sup>th</sup> other Elders of other Churches to meet at hartford uppon y<sup>e</sup> 19 of y<sup>e</sup> 6 month next for to heer & give Counsell about y<sup>e</sup> dissiding of y<sup>e</sup> differences in y<sup>t</sup> Church & y<sup>e</sup> desenting p<sup>r</sup>ty: y<sup>e</sup> matter was taken into Consideration untill another time

The 10 of y<sup>e</sup> (15) 59 a letter is read and agreed on by y<sup>e</sup> church for to be sent to y<sup>e</sup> place above mentioned for to excus y<sup>s</sup> Churches not sending of M<sup>r</sup> Mather according to ther request, in regard of y<sup>s</sup> diffeculty of y<sup>e</sup> Jorney unto his adged body w<sup>th</sup> intemations y<sup>t</sup> if they should appoint y<sup>e</sup> place of meeting to some wheer in y<sup>e</sup> bay, y<sup>e</sup> Church would afford them any help they Could

The 14<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (6) 59 Motion was made from severall of y<sup>e</sup> elders of y<sup>e</sup> bay unto y<sup>e</sup> Church of Dorchester whether it weer not meete y<sup>t</sup> those nine Churches to whom y<sup>e</sup> Church at Hartford had formerly sent should not vollentarely by ther messengers appoint a Councell to be assembled some wheer in y<sup>e</sup> bay for y<sup>e</sup> hearing of those differences w<sup>ch</sup> weere in that Church & notice to be given unto both p<sup>r</sup>tys if they would come unto it being looked at as y<sup>e</sup> last remedy y<sup>t</sup> would be off<sup>d</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> healling therof: y<sup>e</sup> Church Consented & made choys of M<sup>r</sup> Mather o<sup>r</sup> Teacher

The 23 (8) 59 Mr Mather (who was y<sup>e</sup> Churches messenger for y<sup>t</sup> bussynes of Hartford) did make a retorne of that Messadge by publeshing in wrighting y<sup>e</sup> determination & sentance of y<sup>e</sup> Councell, & the loveing & Comfortable acceptance therof in both p<sup>r</sup>tys w<sup>th</sup> ther readynes to acknowledge & make Confession of y<sup>e</sup> faillings of each to y<sup>e</sup> other. for w<sup>ch</sup> we ought to give god y<sup>e</sup> praise: y<sup>e</sup> expences of



this meeting was discharged by those severall churches who sent ther messengers it Amounted unto 1<sup>li</sup> 8<sup>s</sup> 7<sup>d</sup> for each man

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The 9<sup>e</sup> (8) 59 Was Mahalaleel Munings dismissed unto y<sup>e</sup> New Church at Boston: he dyed y<sup>e</sup> 27 of y<sup>e</sup> (12) 59 being drowned in y<sup>e</sup> mill Creeke at Boston in y<sup>e</sup> night

The 13<sup>th</sup> (9) 59 it was declared unto y<sup>e</sup> Church & Com-mended unto them from y<sup>e</sup> generall Court for to have a publique day of thanksgiving to be observed by all the Churches w<sup>th</sup>in this Jurisdiction: in humble and thankfull acknowledging the mercy of god to New england Viz in the Continuation of o<sup>r</sup> peace & for y<sup>e</sup> gracious retorne of o<sup>r</sup> prayers put up unto him in y<sup>e</sup> wett spring by giving us a seassonable seedtime & harvest; & for gods giving his people a Joynt Consent for to w<sup>th</sup>stand & suppress y<sup>e</sup> blasphemers of his truth & gosple & other p<sup>t</sup>iculers then mentioned & y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is to be the 8<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> (10) 59

The 5 of y<sup>e</sup> (12) 59 it was p<sup>p</sup>ossed by o<sup>r</sup> Teacher unto y<sup>e</sup> Church from some of y<sup>e</sup> elders hearabouts whether it weer not Convenient y<sup>t</sup> the Churches (as many of them as Could) should Joyntly set apart a day of humilliation on y<sup>e</sup> behalf of o<sup>r</sup> native Cuntry they being at this time in such an unsettled way of government being w<sup>th</sup>out p<sup>t</sup>ector & w<sup>th</sup>out parliament only y<sup>e</sup> power remaining in y<sup>e</sup> army & they alsoe being devided: whether (I say) god doe not call us to doe some thing more than ordinary for them in earnest prayer to god for them: y<sup>e</sup> day p<sup>p</sup>ossed is the 22 of this Instant: to y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> this church did Joyntly consent

The 19<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (12) 59 was Jeremi Haaws y<sup>e</sup> servant of Mr patten and Thomas Lake y<sup>e</sup> servant & kinsman of o<sup>r</sup> Brother Tho: Lake called forth publicly & reproved for mis-behaving in y<sup>e</sup> assembly in y<sup>e</sup>

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former p<sup>t</sup> of this day it being y<sup>e</sup> saboth before y<sup>e</sup> day of humiliation for Ingland, it being shewed to us this day y<sup>t</sup> reformation of sinnes is requiered in those y<sup>t</sup> come to humble ther soulls before y<sup>e</sup> lord:

The 25 of y<sup>e</sup> (1) 1660

The day above said was report made by M<sup>r</sup> Mather unto the Congregation, of a sad accident y<sup>t</sup> was fallen out at Hartford, namly of a yong man named Abraham Warner, about



y<sup>e</sup> adge of 20 years (who being left of god & prevailed w<sup>th</sup> by satan) drowned himself in y<sup>e</sup> watter, leaveing behind him in his brothers pocket a writting to his father wherein he doe advs his father to look to y<sup>e</sup> ways & walkings of his Brother.

M<sup>r</sup> Mather uppon this occasion gave an exortation first unto Children to take heed of refusing instruction from ther parents & not to pleass themselves w<sup>th</sup> this that they weer y<sup>e</sup> Children of godly parents as it seems this yong man was And 2 alsoe unto parents to looke to y<sup>e</sup> ways & walkings of ther Children & ffamelys aleaging y<sup>e</sup> example of Elly &c :

The 13 (3) 1650

This day M<sup>r</sup> Mather after the evening exercise desired to speake a word or two unto y<sup>e</sup> Church the substance therof was this viz

first he desired y<sup>e</sup> Church & y<sup>e</sup> members of it to take notice: that (as it was a whill since Concluded namly y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Children of such as are members of the Church are to be lookt at as members alsoe, though as it they have not been receaved to y<sup>e</sup> lords supper) soe both himselfe & y<sup>e</sup> other elders doe still look at them

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soe to be & therefore not to be thought by any y<sup>t</sup> it is forgotten or their minds Changed but doe look at such Children whose parents on or both who are in Covenant w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> ther Children are members alsoe :

2 Secondly his exortation was unto the breatheren & sisters of the Church that they would mind it & make Conscience of p<sup>r</sup>forming y<sup>t</sup> duty of watchfulnes & exortation or Consolation or rep<sup>r</sup>ention unto such Children according as ther adge & Capassety did requier or would admite off

3 Thirdly his exortation was unto such Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church that they would soe look at themselves as to expect y<sup>e</sup> benifite & p<sup>r</sup>iveledge of Church watchfulnes & that they would soe Carry themselves as such as must give an account in casse of defect according as ther adge or Capassety would p<sup>r</sup>mitt

after he had ended his spech then both y<sup>e</sup> rulling elders stood up first thone & then y<sup>e</sup> other & seconded what M<sup>r</sup> Mather had said: & said y<sup>t</sup> it was ther mind alsoe & that they did not dissent from any thing y<sup>t</sup> o<sup>r</sup> teacher had at this time spoken.





The 10th of y<sup>e</sup> (4) 60

This day it was commended to o<sup>r</sup> Church amongst y<sup>e</sup> others of this Jurisdiction from the generall Court of a publicke day of Humiliation to be kept by all y<sup>e</sup> Congregations in this Collony in y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of o<sup>r</sup> Native Cuntry y<sup>e</sup> great fears of troubles breaking forth ther & y<sup>e</sup> distractions y<sup>t</sup> are amongst them as also in regard of o<sup>r</sup> selves for the rising generation the day to be kept is the 21 of this instant

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June on w<sup>ch</sup> day M<sup>r</sup> pelletiah Glover preached in the forenoon out of the 1 Zackery 3

& M<sup>r</sup> Mather in y<sup>e</sup> afternoon out of the 21 Ezekell 27

The 15 of y<sup>e</sup> (5) 60 at y<sup>e</sup> motion of y<sup>e</sup> Church of Tanton by ther letter ther was Chosen M<sup>r</sup> Mather & M<sup>r</sup> Withington (as messengers of this church) for to goe to Tanton together w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Church of Boston & Weymouth for to heer y<sup>e</sup> difference y<sup>t</sup> is between them & M<sup>r</sup> Street & to help them by ther Counsell & advise: y<sup>e</sup> day of meeting to be y<sup>e</sup> 25 of this Instant

Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> day above said y<sup>e</sup> Church was put in mind (by y<sup>e</sup> elders) of ther slacknes in coming to y<sup>e</sup> Contribution & discharging ther nots to y<sup>e</sup> Deakons

The 29 (5) 60 M<sup>r</sup> Mather & M<sup>r</sup> Withington who weer y<sup>e</sup> Churches messengers to Tanton retorned their messadge namely y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> offences between both p<sup>t</sup>ys weer heard and discussed a comfortable esew obtained through y<sup>e</sup> blessing of god: and thanks was retorned unto this Church for sending help unto them

The 26 (6) 60

Rogger Sumner was this day dismissed from this church y<sup>t</sup> he might w<sup>th</sup> other Christians at Langchester Joyne together for y<sup>e</sup> beginning of a Church ther:

The 9 (7) 60

This day after the evening exersis y<sup>e</sup> Church being desired to stay M<sup>r</sup> Mather made report to y<sup>e</sup> Church of y<sup>e</sup> greate desier of the wife of James Minot to have her Children baptized though as yet

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they neither she nor her husband weer Judged meet to Come to y<sup>e</sup> lords table; to w<sup>ch</sup> end they had both of them p<sup>m</sup>ised m<sup>r</sup> Mather y<sup>t</sup> they would publikly owne and take hold of ther fathers Covenant



To this divers of y<sup>e</sup> Church shewed their Consent but some weer unsatisfied & therfore it was defered untell y<sup>e</sup> next lords day being

16 (7) 60 the 16 of this instant ; but yet y<sup>e</sup> same breatheren weer unsatisfied & deferred until

30 (7) : 60 a fortnight after & then y<sup>e</sup> question was more fully discoursed but not concluded

7 (8) 60 The 7<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1660 after y<sup>e</sup> exercis Elder withington stood up before y<sup>e</sup> Assembly was dismissed & said that some breatheren had been w<sup>th</sup> them that weeke & told them y<sup>t</sup> they ap<sup>h</sup>ended m<sup>r</sup> Mathers Arguments for baptizing of such children formerly spoken off was not it [yet] answered & therfore desired y<sup>t</sup> it might be now spoken unto at this time: on of y<sup>e</sup> arguments being thus framed

Arguments for y<sup>e</sup> baptizing of such Children whos parents are not yet admitted to full communion at y<sup>e</sup> lords table but yet are Judged members & have taken hold of ther fathers Covenant

They y<sup>t</sup> weer once members of y<sup>e</sup> Church & weer never Cut off ; they remaine members still : and soe it is w<sup>th</sup> thos parents who doe desier baptizme for ther Children they weer once members when they weer infants, else they should not have been baptized, and they weer never cut off, for if they be cut off it must be either by death, or excommunication, or if y<sup>e</sup> Church doe sease to be a Church, then a member surviving cannot remaine to be a member because the Church is extinct & is not in being: And some doe add this that they may loos ther

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membership by apostasy & wilfull rending themselves off from y<sup>e</sup> Church but none of thes have cut off thes from being members w<sup>th</sup> doe desier baptizme for ther Children, and therfore being members they should have baptizme for ther Children to be a seal unto y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

#### Another Argument

If such parents weer members of y<sup>e</sup> Church in y<sup>e</sup> old testament, & ther Children weer cercomsised then such parents are members of y<sup>e</sup> Church in y<sup>e</sup> new testament & ther Children should be baptized

#### Another Argument

If y<sup>e</sup> Church in y<sup>e</sup> old & new testament, for essence & substance be y<sup>e</sup> same, & if all y<sup>e</sup> alterations be for y<sup>e</sup> bet-



ter, then it remaines as have ben said but y<sup>e</sup> Church then & now is for kind the same y<sup>e</sup> gentells are fellow ayers of y<sup>e</sup> same body & they are grafted upon y<sup>e</sup> same olive:

And for alterations ther are many but still for y<sup>e</sup> better as in heb: 7 & 8 Chapters a better Covenant as for instance then they must be Cercomsised w<sup>ch</sup> was both shamefull & painefull, but baptisme is neither.

agaïne cercomission was only on y<sup>e</sup> malls, but baptisme is for women alsoe

they weer limetted to y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> day but w<sup>th</sup> us any day

And soe for y<sup>e</sup> passover it was but once a year but o<sup>r</sup> lords supper is very often: agaïne y<sup>e</sup> pasover was upon a p<sup>s</sup>ize day but we are not tyed to that:

they had many shaddows & tips & burdens, but thes are removed yoke is essy saith christ:

ther shaddows weer dark & obscure but now y<sup>e</sup> vaille is removed.

then it was to on people only but now to all nations

then all must goe to Jerusalem but now on Congregation have supremasy of Jurisdiction w<sup>th</sup>in it selfe: so y<sup>t</sup> all is for y<sup>e</sup> better

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but if then they may be cercomsized but now must not be baptized then it is for y<sup>e</sup> worse

Thes things & such like weer discursed that evening y<sup>e</sup> 7 of y<sup>e</sup> 8 M<sup>o</sup>: 60: but nothing fully concluded: though thes arguments unto some weer not answered to ther ap<sup>h</sup>ention: & some weer still unsatisfied:

The 4<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (9) 60 was old M<sup>r</sup>s Glover & Habbukcock her Sonne dismissed unto y<sup>e</sup> old Church at Boston, as alsoe Nathaniell Walls and Susan his wife weer dismissed at y<sup>e</sup> same time to y<sup>e</sup> same Church

The 9<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (10) 60 M<sup>r</sup> Mather made a motion to y<sup>e</sup> Church and Congregation of keeping a day of humilliation on y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of o<sup>r</sup> selves & o<sup>r</sup> native Cuntry viz to repent of o<sup>r</sup> sinne w<sup>ch</sup> may p<sup>v</sup>oke y<sup>e</sup> lord to take a way or to deny us those libertys & p<sup>v</sup>eledges w<sup>ch</sup> we have injoyed thes many years in Church & Common wealth And for o<sup>r</sup> native Cuntry the king being retorned agaïne in pease w<sup>th</sup>out y<sup>e</sup> effusion of blod: for w<sup>ch</sup> peace of theirs as we have cause to bless god for it, soe we should pray y<sup>t</sup> ther peace may be continued & y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> hurtfull sword may not be awakened agaïne if it be his will: Alsoe we should pray on y<sup>e</sup> behalf of thos that are in place of rull & government ther in y<sup>t</sup> land y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> lord would





rull & sway ther harts y<sup>t</sup> they may favour y<sup>e</sup> Cause of Christ & p<sup>m</sup>ote y<sup>e</sup> gosple: the day thought upon was the next lectuer day w<sup>ch</sup> is y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> of this instant to y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church & asembly consented by ther silence

The former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day M<sup>r</sup> Mather did pray & preach out of y<sup>e</sup> 1 Tim 2: 1: 2:

The latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day spent by m<sup>r</sup> Eliot out of y<sup>e</sup> 3 of Job 25

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The first of y<sup>e</sup> (11) 60 ther was also a fast kept at Rocksbery on their lectuer day:

The 6 of y<sup>e</sup> (11) 60 M<sup>r</sup> Holway was dismissed from this Church for to Joyn unto the old Church at Boston:

The 20 (11) 60 after the evening exercis motion was made unto y<sup>e</sup> Church that they would meet together upon the sixt day next w<sup>ch</sup> would be y<sup>e</sup> 25 of this instant to consider something about contribution; at w<sup>ch</sup> meeting after many agetations it was agreed by a vote that each Communicant should in a months time bring unto the deacons a peck of wheat for bread & wine: And for weekly contribution motion was then made y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Mather would take occasion to preach uppon that subject which accordingly he did upon the 3 of y<sup>e</sup> (12) 60 from 1 Cor 16 1

The 27 (11) 60 prudence Clap (who marryed w<sup>th</sup> Simon peck) was dismissed unto the Church of Hingham

The 3 (12) 60 Aron way and his wife & William Ireland weer dismissed unto y<sup>e</sup> new Church at Boston

The 10 (12) 60 M<sup>r</sup> Mather acquainted the Church & Congregation y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> elders had latly a meeting to Consider of something y<sup>t</sup> they thought god called us unto in thes times & ther conclusion was y<sup>t</sup> they would p<sup>p</sup>ose it to ther severall congregations whether it weer not meet to keep a sollemne day of humilliation unto y<sup>e</sup> lord in all the Churches heer abouts the grounds of it weer such as thes viz

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ffirst y<sup>e</sup> generall sickneses y<sup>t</sup> have been latly amongst us & yet are in some places 2 to intreat y<sup>e</sup> lord for y<sup>e</sup> Continuance of o<sup>r</sup> peace & libertys in Church & Common wealth and y<sup>t</sup> thos addresses which have been latly made by y<sup>e</sup> generall Court unto the higher powers in England that they may find acceptance: the day mentioned was the last 4<sup>th</sup> day of this instant w<sup>ch</sup> would be y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> month it was consented unto by o<sup>r</sup> Congregation



Mr Mather exercized both p'ts of the day out of y<sup>e</sup> 14 Jer 7: 8: 9:

Hester y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Tho: Wiswall who maryed w<sup>th</sup> Cap-  
tin Johnsons sonne was this 24 (1) 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> dismissed to Joyn  
unto y<sup>e</sup> Church of Woo-burne

The 28 (2) 61

The day above said was dismissed Mr Eliazer Mather  
William Clark Henery Cunlife & Henery Woodward for to  
Joyne w<sup>th</sup> sume other for the gathering of a Church at  
Northampton

The 9 (4) 61 was deakon Edward Clap & Mr peletiah  
Glover now at Springfield & Tho Tilstone chosen as mes-  
sengers of y<sup>e</sup> church to goe to Northampton to y<sup>e</sup> gathering  
of y<sup>e</sup> Church ther w<sup>th</sup> is to be don upon y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of this instant

The 23 of y<sup>e</sup> (4) 61 the messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>th</sup> weer  
sent unto Northampton made report of what was ther done  
namly that upon y<sup>e</sup> day appointed ther was a Church gath-  
ered in that place & that Mr Eliazer Mather was then or-  
dained pastor to that Church the same day

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The 30<sup>th</sup> (4) 61

The day above said a paper was read w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup>  
ginerall Court wherein they did commend unto y<sup>e</sup> Churches  
a day of Sollemne thanksgiving to be kept to god for  
mercys receaved from him Viz answer of prayers upon o<sup>r</sup>  
late addresse or petition made unto y<sup>e</sup> King, his graciouse  
acceptance & favourable answer: alsoe for y<sup>e</sup> continuance of  
o<sup>r</sup> libertys in Church & Commonwealth, The seasonablenes  
of y<sup>e</sup> spring: ffreedome from such contagious & mortall sick-  
nesses w<sup>ch</sup> we have sometimes had: And the continuance  
of y<sup>e</sup> lives of such as are anchient & godly both in church  
& Commonwealth: y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (5) 61

Mr Mather exercised both p'ts of y<sup>e</sup> day from y<sup>e</sup> 50  
psalm 14:

The 1 (7) 61

The day abovesaid was dismissed thes p'sons: Viz: Sarah  
y<sup>e</sup> wife of William Clark: Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wif of Hen: Wood-  
ward & Susana y<sup>e</sup> wife of Hen Cunlife: for to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup>  
Church at Northampton

The 13 of y<sup>e</sup> (8) 61 Mr pellatiah Glover was dismissed  
unto the Church at Springfeild they intending shortly to  
Call & ordaine him to be officer ther



The 17 (9) 61

The day abovesaid it was agreed unto in y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> letters should be sent to y<sup>e</sup> breatheren & sisters at Boston & soe els wher for to advise them to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Churches wher they did inhabit or to shew ther Reasons to y<sup>e</sup> Contrary

The same day also it was p<sup>o</sup>sed in y<sup>e</sup> Church (from y<sup>e</sup> elders being lately meet together) whether god did not call us to fast & pray in y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of o<sup>r</sup> selves in regard of y<sup>e</sup> sicknesses y<sup>t</sup> had been among

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us of late & y<sup>e</sup> fears of the looseing o<sup>r</sup> libertys in Church & Common wealth: and in regard of o<sup>r</sup> Native cuntry to pray y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> blessing of god may be upon them & that supstition & popery & pphanes may not two fare abound in that land; y<sup>e</sup> day intended is y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> tenth M<sup>o</sup> to this y<sup>e</sup> Church Consented

Mr Mather preached & prayed the former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day: from 63 Esai 18 and M<sup>r</sup> Increas Mather y<sup>e</sup> other p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from 122 psa 6

The 22 of y<sup>e</sup> (10) 61 ✓

The day abovesaid it was declared unto y<sup>e</sup> Church & Congregation y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court did call upon y<sup>e</sup> severall Churches of this Jurisdiction for to set apart a day to fast & pray both in regard of y<sup>e</sup> many sins y<sup>t</sup> weer found in y<sup>e</sup> Cuntry and likwis in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of o<sup>r</sup> native Cuntry: y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 2 of y<sup>e</sup> (11) 61

M<sup>r</sup> Mather did exercis both p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day in prayer & preaching from y<sup>e</sup> 1 of y<sup>e</sup> Lament: 7 Jerusalem remembered in y<sup>e</sup> days of her affliction, all her pleasant things w<sup>ch</sup> once she enjoyed &c

The 23 (12) 61 notice was given to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court did requier all the Churches in this Jurisdiction for to send of ther elders or messengers unto Boston upon y<sup>e</sup> 11 of y<sup>e</sup> (1) 62 for a Senod to be held, to Consider of some questions, relateing to Church order Viz: first What is y<sup>e</sup> subject of baptisme: of Consosiation of Churches, w<sup>th</sup> maner how: for w<sup>ch</sup> Mr Mather & Mr Increase his sonne was Chosen

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The 25 (3) 62

The day abovesaid notice was given y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court did call upon all y<sup>e</sup> Churches for to fast & pray in y<sup>e</sup> behalfe





of this Cuntry because of gods hand goeing out in an usuall maner in regard of sicknesses & diseases & mortality more than formerly & y<sup>e</sup> great drowth over y<sup>e</sup> Cuntry  
 Mr. Broadstreet } as alsoe in regard of thos that went to England  
 Mr. Norton } for to negotiate on y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of y<sup>e</sup> Cuntry that  
 god would bless them in that worke y<sup>e</sup> day apointed is y<sup>e</sup> 5  
 day of y<sup>e</sup> 4 M<sup>o</sup> being y<sup>e</sup> 5 day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke

Mr Mather did pray & preach the former part of y<sup>e</sup> day  
 from y<sup>e</sup> 2 Cron 7 13 14 v: & Mr Tory y<sup>e</sup> latter p't of y<sup>e</sup> day

#### The 10 (6) 62

The day abovesaid the Church and Congregation together did unanimously agree & vote that the elders & some of y<sup>e</sup> breatheren should give Mr William Stoughton an invitation for to bestow his labours in preaching y<sup>e</sup> word amongst us in a Constant way: & the next saboth being y<sup>e</sup> 17 Instant they returned ther answer of his loveing acceptation of ther message for to take it into consideration & at y<sup>e</sup> same time M Stoughton himselfe did manifest his willingness to y<sup>e</sup> motion p'sented to him

#### The 28 (7) 62

The day above said Mr Mather (who was on of y<sup>e</sup> Churches messengers sent unto the senod) did give a breife account of what was ther concluded on: Viz: that after the theird meeting of y<sup>e</sup> messengers the first being in y<sup>e</sup> first month the 2<sup>d</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> month & the 3<sup>d</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> (7) Moneth the Senod had agreed upon thos two questions p'pounded & Mr Mather did at that time read over the heads of thos things then

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Concluded on & soe dismissed the assembly:

#### The 26 (8) 62

The day abovesaid notice was given that the ginerall Court did call uppon the Churches for to keep a publike day of thanksgiving to god for thes Reassons: Viz for giving unto us such a portion of y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth in o<sup>r</sup> late harvest notwithstanding the greate drowth y<sup>e</sup> we had this Summer: 2 y<sup>e</sup> saffe & speedy retorne of o<sup>r</sup> publike messengers from England: 3 the libertys of y<sup>e</sup> gospell w<sup>ch</sup> we doe yet inJoy: the day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 5 of November being y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke

Mr Mather preached y<sup>e</sup> fore p't of y<sup>e</sup> day from y<sup>e</sup> 30 Esai  
 20 21



Mr Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from y<sup>e</sup> 147 psa : 10 11

Ther was alsoe at y<sup>e</sup> same time notice given y<sup>t</sup> the generall Court did alsoe thinke it meet to Call upon y<sup>e</sup> Churches to keepe a publike day of humiliation for thes Causes Viz : first the sad & low Condition of the Churches of god abroad in other p<sup>t</sup>s 2 y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>valency of Ante Christ 3 some publicke rebuke of god p<sup>r</sup>vedence towards this Cuntry : the day appointed is to be the 3 day of Desem : being y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke

Mr Mather preached y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from psal : 25 : 22

Mr Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from 1 pett 4 17

Mr Increas Mather & his wife weer boath of them dismissed upon y<sup>e</sup> 12 (2) 63 to Joyne to the new Church at Boston

The same time Mr. Mather did give notice to y<sup>e</sup> Church that upon y<sup>e</sup> second day of y<sup>e</sup> week before

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being y<sup>e</sup> day after Mr Norton dyed the elders met together & at that meeting they concluded to acquaint the severall Churches in this Jurisdiction that they thought god called us to humble o<sup>r</sup> soulls by fasting & prayer p<sup>t</sup>ly for that god by his p<sup>r</sup>vedences had shortened us of y<sup>e</sup> fruts of the earth by reason of y<sup>e</sup> drouth y<sup>e</sup> last sommer & the cold & unseasonable approaching of y<sup>e</sup> spring at p<sup>r</sup>sent : and alsoe that god would Continue o<sup>r</sup> peace both Sivell & ecclesiasticall & to p<sup>r</sup>vent y<sup>e</sup> fears & rumors of trouble y<sup>e</sup> next Court of election : and alsoe for y<sup>e</sup> rising gincration : and for y<sup>e</sup> people of god in England & those p<sup>t</sup>s : y<sup>e</sup> day thought on was the 22 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 63 being y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> week : unto w<sup>ch</sup> motion y<sup>e</sup> Church consented

Mr Mather preached the fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from the 122 psa 6 : pray for y<sup>e</sup> peace of Jerusalem &c

Mr Stoughton preached the later p<sup>t</sup> from 14 Jer 8 9

### The 2 of y<sup>e</sup> (6) 63

The day abovesaid after the evening exersiz ther was p<sup>r</sup>esented & read a l<sup>etter</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> Came from severall of y<sup>e</sup> majestats directed to severall of y<sup>e</sup> minesters mett latly at boston wherein they made a motion unto them & by them to be communicated unto thes six ajacent Towns Viz boston Rocksbery Dorchester, Charlstowne, Cambridg & watertowne : whether it weer not meete y<sup>t</sup> ther should be more



than ordinary seeking to god by fasting & prayer in the behalfe of y<sup>e</sup> people of god & the Churches abroad in other p'ts of y<sup>e</sup> world & to y<sup>e</sup> end did p'pos whether it weer not best for to turne the lectures of thes severall towns into days of

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humiliation as the like was done about y<sup>e</sup> begining of the trouble in England about the year 42 & 43 and that it should begin w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church at Dorchester on our lectuer w<sup>ch</sup> is in Cours to be upon y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of this Instant to this y<sup>e</sup> Church & Congregation did agree theerunto

Mr Mather did pray & preach the former p't of y<sup>e</sup> day from 1: Tim 2: 1:2 & Mr Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p't of y<sup>e</sup> day from y<sup>e</sup> 9 Zack 11 vers

y<sup>e</sup> next weeke y<sup>e</sup> fast was kept at Charls towne on y<sup>e</sup> 28  
(6) 63

y<sup>e</sup> next week at Cambridg y<sup>e</sup> 2 (7) 63

y<sup>e</sup> next week at Rocksbery y<sup>e</sup> 8 (7) 63

y<sup>e</sup> next week at y<sup>e</sup> new Church at Boston y<sup>e</sup> 18 (7) 63

y<sup>e</sup> nex weeke at Watertowne y<sup>e</sup> 23 (7) 63

y<sup>e</sup> next weeke at Boston y<sup>e</sup> old Church the 2 of y<sup>e</sup> 8 M<sup>o</sup> 63

y<sup>e</sup> next weeke at Deadham y<sup>e</sup> (7<sup>th</sup>) day of y<sup>e</sup> 8 M<sup>o</sup> 63

y<sup>e</sup> next weeke at Brantry y<sup>e</sup> 14 (8) 63

The 22 (9) 1663

The day above said M<sup>r</sup> Mather informed y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Elders meeting together at Boston y<sup>e</sup> last weeke they thought good to put y<sup>e</sup> severall Churches heer about in mind of keeping a day of sollemne thankgiveing unto god as for other mercys vouchsafed to us soc in speciall for his mercy to this Cuntry in y<sup>e</sup> Continuance of peace & libertys w<sup>th</sup>out restraint both in Church & Civell government the day thought on to be y<sup>e</sup> 2 of y<sup>e</sup> (10) being the fowerth day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke: Also they thought good that the sollemne days of humiliation should be Continued in thes Churches heer abouts after y<sup>e</sup> day of thankgiveing is over to all this the Church & Congregation did assent

M<sup>r</sup> Mather & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton did exersis that day being a cold day

The fasting days goeing on againe in Especiall maner for England It began at Boston y<sup>e</sup> old Church on the 30 day of desem 1663 being y<sup>e</sup> fowerth day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke





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The 5 (12) 63

Ther was a fast kept at y<sup>e</sup> new Church at Boston

The 26 (12) 63

Ther was a fast kept at Charlsstown

The 29 March 64

Ther was a fast kept at dorchester M<sup>r</sup> Mather did pray & preach the former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from 62 Esa 6:7 & M<sup>r</sup> Inceas Mather in y<sup>e</sup> afternoone from y<sup>e</sup> 2 Zeph 3

The 3 (2) 64 M<sup>r</sup> Mather after y<sup>e</sup> evening exersis did declare that M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton did intend y<sup>e</sup> next lords day to preach againe at y<sup>e</sup> motion of y<sup>e</sup> messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Church although he had not preached publikly full 14 saboths before only reserving liberty to himself as well as y<sup>e</sup> Church to accept of any other motion that might be made unto him

Ther was a fast at Rocksbery the 17 of aprill 1664

Also at Cambridg 11 of May 64

The 22 (3) 64

The day above said ther was a letter read sent to y<sup>e</sup> Church from y<sup>e</sup> last gathered Church at Boston wherin was manifested & declared ther purpos for to p<sup>ceed</sup> to ordaine M<sup>r</sup> Increase Mather to y<sup>e</sup> office of a teacher unto that Church, alsoe ther desier is y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church of dorchester would send some messengers for to assist & be p<sup>sent</sup> at that work y<sup>e</sup> day appointed was the 21 of this Instant for w<sup>ch</sup> end y<sup>e</sup> Church Chose o<sup>r</sup> Teaching & Rulling Elders

The 5 of y<sup>e</sup> (4) 64

The day a bovesaid Thomas Wiswall was dismissed for the beginning of a Church at that place neer wher he liveth at Cambridg village wher M<sup>r</sup> John Eliote doe preach

The same day was published an order from y<sup>e</sup> Ginerall Court appointing a ginerall day of Humilliation on y<sup>e</sup> behalfe of y<sup>e</sup> sad condition of y<sup>e</sup> Church & Peoples

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of god in this Cuntry & other p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world y<sup>e</sup> day to be the 15<sup>th</sup> day of this instant June being y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke





Mr Mather did pray & preach in y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from  
62 Esai 6: 7: & Mr Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> from: amos 6: 1

The 17 (5) 64

The day above said ther was a letter read to y<sup>e</sup> Church from  
y<sup>e</sup> breatheren dwelling at Nonandom or Cambridg villadg  
who (intending to gather a Church) desiered messengers to  
be sent from this Church to help & asist therin. The w<sup>ch</sup>  
was granted & ther was Chose for y<sup>t</sup> work y<sup>e</sup> teaching &  
rulling Elders. y<sup>e</sup> day appointed was y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of this instant,  
at w<sup>ch</sup> time they ordained Mr John Eliot for a pastor &  
Thomas Wiswall, formerly a member of this Church, to be  
a rulling Elder

The 21 (6) 64

The day abovesaid an order was read from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall  
Court (who latly was called together upon the Coming of y<sup>e</sup>  
Comissioners from England) wherin y<sup>e</sup> Court did Commend  
unto the Churches the first of the next month to be kept  
as a publick fast in this Collony p<sup>ly</sup> for England & Espe-  
sally in behalfe of this Cuntry in regard of y<sup>e</sup> frowns of god  
uppon us in y<sup>e</sup> ginerall blasting of our wheate as alsoe in re-  
gard of other troubles feared; y<sup>t</sup> god ould grant us o<sup>r</sup> lib-  
ertys in Church & state. and o<sup>r</sup> fears of gods withdrawing  
his Sheepardy care over his people

mr mather exersized y<sup>e</sup> former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from Zack 11:  
9 & Mr stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from Hosa: 14: 1.

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The 11 (7) 64

y<sup>e</sup> day above said ther was dismissed y<sup>e</sup> wife of Tho Wis-  
wall & y<sup>e</sup> wife of goodman kimwright w<sup>ch</sup> was y<sup>e</sup> wife of  
John Hotton & Margerit y<sup>e</sup> wife of James Trobridg to Joyn  
to y<sup>e</sup> Church latly gathered at Cambridge Villedg called  
Nonandum wher Mr John Elliot is pastor:

The 23 (8) 64 M<sup>r</sup> Hinckly (who was formerly y<sup>e</sup> wife of  
Mr Nathaniell Glover whose maiden name was Mary Smith)  
was dismissed to Joyne unto the Church at Bastable

The 30 (8) 64

The day above said it was publickly declared an order  
from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court who appointed a day of humilliation  
to be kept upon the 16<sup>th</sup> of November being the 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
y<sup>e</sup> weeke, both in regard of y<sup>e</sup> Church of god in other parts  
as alsoe amongst ourselves



## The 5 (12) 64

The day above said ther was a letter read w<sup>ch</sup> was sent from y<sup>e</sup> Church at way mouth wherin they did empart to this Church ther intention namly to ordaine a teaching officer amongst them: ther former officer M<sup>r</sup> Thecher being removed. Ther request to this Church was that they would send some Mesengers to asist them therin y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> of this Instant The Church made Choice of ther Teacher M<sup>r</sup> Mather & ther Deacon John Capen

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The 12<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12 Mo: 64

The day above said after y<sup>e</sup> evening exersiz the Church was desiered to stay y<sup>e</sup> Reason was (as y<sup>e</sup> Elder did declare) because ther weer severall yong men in the Towne who would be willing to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church if they might have ther Confession taken in privat by wrighting & declared publickly to y<sup>e</sup> Church, they standing forth & owneing what was declared, and ther engaging themselves in y<sup>e</sup> Covenant. upon this ther was some debate & divers did declare themselves willing that it should be soe practized but on or two of y<sup>e</sup> breatheren declared themselves to y<sup>e</sup> Contrary. in Conclusion the matter was left to a farther Consideration & then to be spoken too againe.

The 19 of y<sup>e</sup> (12) 64

Mr Mather gave an account of what was done at Waymouth uppon y<sup>e</sup> 14 of this Instant viz y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day was spent in praying & preaching by M<sup>r</sup> Torry in y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day mr Thecher did pray & afterward (w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Consent of that Church and y<sup>e</sup> messengers w<sup>ch</sup> came thither) Mr Torry accepting therof he was ordained pastor unto that Church Mr Wilson of Boston & M<sup>r</sup> Thecher & ther rulling elder laying on ther hands & afterward Mr Wilson in y<sup>e</sup> name of y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> churches gave unto him the right hand of fellowship & did owne him & acknowlige M<sup>r</sup> Torry to be pastor to that Church at Waymouth:

## The 19 (1) 64

a letter was read from y<sup>e</sup> Court wherin they did commend unto y<sup>e</sup> Churches of this Jurisdiction y<sup>e</sup> 22 Instant March to be kept a day of publick humilliation: but y<sup>e</sup> recorder heerof being sick was not then p<sup>r</sup>sent nor a month before



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The 26 (1) 65

The day abovesaid at the motion of Mr Mather ther was a Contribution for M<sup>r</sup> Thomson at Brantry unto which ther was given y<sup>e</sup> same time in money Six pounds & nine pence besids notes for Corne & other things a bove thirty shillings: and some more money was added afterward to y<sup>e</sup> vallew of 8<sup>s</sup> — 3<sup>d</sup>

The 2 (2) 65

The day above said it was p<sup>o</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church whether ther should not be another deacon Chosen in y<sup>e</sup> roome of Deacon Ed Clap

unto this motion some made answer y<sup>t</sup> we had two deacons already namely John Wiswell & Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen: but to y<sup>t</sup> answer was made y<sup>t</sup> deacon Wiswall did not attend on y<sup>e</sup> service of y<sup>e</sup> Church. therefore y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion at that time was to deferre y<sup>e</sup> bussines about another deacon untill another time & y<sup>t</sup> deacon wiswall should be spoken too y<sup>e</sup> next lords day to know whether he would attend upon his office according to y<sup>e</sup> rull of y<sup>e</sup> apostle or else to lay down his office

The day above said it was alsoe p<sup>o</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> time whether they would be willing y<sup>t</sup> men as well as women should be receaved into y<sup>e</sup> Church by ther private relation being taken in writting & publickly read before y<sup>e</sup> Church: after some adjetation y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion & vote of y<sup>e</sup> Church was y<sup>t</sup> it should be left too y<sup>e</sup> Elders namely that they might heer ther relations in privat & if ther voyce weer soe low in private y<sup>t</sup> Mr Mather could not heer them soe as to write it from ther mouths y<sup>t</sup> then y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>o</sup> might wright it himself & p<sup>o</sup>sent it to y<sup>e</sup> Elders & they to compare it w<sup>th</sup> what he had formerly declared by word of mouth & when they Judged them fitt then to read it to y<sup>e</sup> Church publickly: only if they judged any

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man able to make a publick relation by his owne mouth they should endeavor to p<sup>o</sup>swad him soe to doe

Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same day M<sup>r</sup> Withington did declare to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> (he being formerly appointed (w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> other elders) for to seat people in y<sup>e</sup> seats of y<sup>e</sup> meetting hous) he was not willing to doe y<sup>t</sup> worke any longer but was resolved to lay it down y<sup>e</sup> other elders not acting in that thing w<sup>th</sup> himself but left it to him only





The 9 (2) 65 Deacon Wiswall being p<sup>s</sup>ent, y<sup>e</sup> question was p<sup>p</sup>osed to him by y<sup>e</sup> Elder whether hee would or Could attend uppon his office of a Deacon or whether he would leave y<sup>e</sup> office unto another whom y<sup>e</sup> Church should Chouse: his answer was that hee was called to that office, off god & by y<sup>e</sup> Church & therefore if y<sup>e</sup> Church did see cause to displace him they might but for his resigning y<sup>e</sup> office he did not see Cause soe to doe & soe y<sup>e</sup> matter was left at y<sup>t</sup> time after some more agitations

The 11 (4) 65

The day above said ther was a letter read w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court assembled at Boston y<sup>e</sup> 3 of may wherein they did Commend unto y<sup>e</sup> severall Churches & Congregations of this Jurisdiction y<sup>e</sup> 22 of this instant June to be kept in publike fasting & prayer for severall Causes respecting o<sup>r</sup> selves & also y<sup>e</sup> bleeding & dying condition of y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>t</sup>estant Intrest all y<sup>e</sup> world over & y<sup>e</sup> Judgment of god threatening y<sup>e</sup> removeall of his Candlestick from amongst us & his afflicting p<sup>v</sup>edence in respect of y<sup>e</sup> Catterpillar & y<sup>e</sup> palmer worme & other Causes ther mentioned M<sup>r</sup> Mather did pray & preach y<sup>e</sup> former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from

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The 3 lamentation 39 40 41 and M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from y<sup>e</sup> 1 Habbuk: 12

The 30 (5) 65

The day above said Elder withington acquainted y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> (for some nattuerrall infermetie in y<sup>e</sup> rulling elders to read y<sup>e</sup> psalmes in the publike assembly) they had therfore desired Deacon Capen to read y<sup>e</sup> psalmes

Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same day ther was a letter read w<sup>ch</sup> was sent from y<sup>e</sup> breatheren of y<sup>e</sup> Church of Tanton wherein they doe declare ther sad Condition in regard of differences y<sup>t</sup> are amongst them & therfore desiers y<sup>e</sup> Church of Dorchester to send them some help for Counsell & advice & for ther healing if it be y<sup>e</sup> will of god:

M<sup>r</sup> Mather was then p<sup>p</sup>osed to be sent but not fully Concluded on but left tell y<sup>e</sup> next lords day

Also y<sup>e</sup> same day y<sup>e</sup> assembly was called on to send in y<sup>e</sup> names of thos who they would have to be Cattechized y<sup>e</sup> next lords day



The 6 (6) 65

The day above said M<sup>r</sup> Mather declared his unabillity of Body for y<sup>e</sup> Journey to Tanton wheerupon M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton was desiered by y<sup>e</sup> Church to attend that service but he granted it not but would Consider of it tell y<sup>e</sup> next lords day at w<sup>ch</sup> time being y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> (6) 65 he consented therunto & besids him ther was Chosen Lifenant ffoster to be another messenger for to goe to Tanton

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The 20 (6) 65

The day above said y<sup>e</sup> messengers w<sup>ch</sup> weer sent to Tanton returned an answer to y<sup>e</sup> Church Viz: y<sup>t</sup> by y<sup>e</sup> blessing of god uppon y<sup>e</sup> Counsell & advice of those w<sup>ch</sup> weer mett together they came to a Comfortable agreement w<sup>th</sup> a purpos y<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> 13 (7) 65 they would humble themselves before y<sup>e</sup> lord for ther sins & renew ther Covenant & admitt those into ther Church ffellowship w<sup>ch</sup> are qualleified for it

The 29 (8) 65

The day above said a letter was read from y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court unto y<sup>e</sup> Church wherin they did Call upon the Churches to keepe a day of thanksgivinge for thes Causes viz the seasonable showers y<sup>t</sup> we had this Summer wherby ther is soe much of y<sup>e</sup> harvest reserved to us as may be a supply for us & o<sup>r</sup> famelys:

alsoe for diverting a Squadron of Duch ships which threatened y<sup>e</sup> envasion of o<sup>r</sup> Coasts alsoe for y<sup>e</sup> peace & liberty w<sup>ch</sup> we doe yet enjoy, through w<sup>ch</sup> many favors from god are confer'd uppon us y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November

M<sup>r</sup> Mather preached out of the 12 Rom 1 ther beinge but one exerciz that day by Reason of y<sup>e</sup> shortness of y<sup>e</sup> days

The same day alsoe notice was given from y<sup>e</sup> same Court, requiering y<sup>e</sup> Churches to keepe a pubike day of humilliation, partly because of y<sup>e</sup> many frowns of god uppon

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our selves and alsoe in regard of y<sup>e</sup> rageing of y<sup>e</sup> pestelence in London & many other places in o<sup>r</sup> Native Cuntry, & other Causes, y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is the 22 of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> mo next

Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same day ther was read a letter from Tanton wherin they did declare to this Church ther intention to Call M<sup>r</sup> Shoue to y<sup>e</sup> office of a pastor to that Church and



did desier y<sup>e</sup> messengers might be sent to them from this Church to assist them therin. for which end the Church made Choice of Liffenant ffoster and deacon Capen: the time to be y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of Novem: 65

The 17<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (9) 65 the messengers sent to Tanton returned ther messadg: Viz that upon y<sup>e</sup> 15 (9) 65 the Church at Tanton & y<sup>e</sup> towne w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Churches being assembled together at that place ther was ordained M<sup>r</sup> Shoue to y<sup>e</sup> office of a pastor to y<sup>t</sup> Church

The 10 (10) 65 after y<sup>e</sup> evening exersiz it was p<sup>p</sup>osed to y<sup>e</sup> Church whether M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton should be invited to accept of office in y<sup>e</sup> Church to w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> most of y<sup>e</sup> Church consented by Vote though some declared y<sup>t</sup> they did not act but would

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not oppose y<sup>e</sup> Church

at y<sup>e</sup> same time y<sup>e</sup> Elders and select men weer appointed to speake to him about it:

The same day motion was made to y<sup>e</sup> Church (upon occasion of Robert Spurs being latly admitted a member) whether his two elder daughters (y<sup>e</sup> on being marryed & y<sup>e</sup> other grown in yeers) might not be baptized as well as y<sup>e</sup> other yonger Children? against this some breatheren objected y<sup>t</sup> they ap<sup>h</sup>ended y<sup>t</sup> seeing they weer adult they viz y<sup>e</sup> two elder daughters should manifest faith & repentance before they should be baptized upon this objecting: y<sup>e</sup> resolution of y<sup>e</sup> question was deferred till y<sup>e</sup> next lords day

The 17 (10) 65 y<sup>e</sup> Elders made report to y<sup>e</sup> Church M<sup>r</sup> Stoughtons answer w<sup>ch</sup> was y<sup>t</sup> he had some objections w<sup>th</sup>in himself against y<sup>e</sup> motion but yet he would not hold y<sup>e</sup> Church in long Suspence but would give them a full answer in a weeke or two

y<sup>e</sup> same time y<sup>e</sup> former motion about baptizing Robt Spurs Children Viz thos w<sup>ch</sup> weer adult it was discussed againe y<sup>e</sup> major part of y<sup>e</sup> Church was for ther baptisme but some breatheren weer unsatisfied but yet would not oppos y<sup>e</sup> thing if M<sup>r</sup> Mather did baptiz them; hé Judging it his duty soe to doe; & to that end Robt Spur was appointed to bring out his Children y<sup>e</sup> next lords day

The 31 of y<sup>e</sup> (10) 65 y<sup>e</sup> Elders reported to y<sup>e</sup> Church M<sup>r</sup> Stoughtons answer Which was that he Could not accept of y<sup>e</sup> motion made unto him for to be an officer to y<sup>e</sup> Church but did thankfully acknowlige y<sup>e</sup> Churches love & respect to him therin





At the same time some of the

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breatheren p'posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church whether it weer not fitt to make motion to M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton the Second time & to that end y<sup>e</sup> same p'sons weer desiered to make theer adress to him againe

The 7<sup>th</sup> (11) 65 y<sup>e</sup> Elders reported to y<sup>e</sup> Church againe M<sup>r</sup> Stoughtons answer namly that he Could not as yet be willing to accept of office but should be willing to Continue preaching as he have formerly done; alsoe y<sup>t</sup> he did thankfully ackknowlige y<sup>e</sup> love of y<sup>e</sup> Church though (for some reasons within himself) he could not accept of office

The 21 (11) 65 notice was given of a fast to be kept at Boston y<sup>e</sup> next fift day being 25 (11) 65

Another fast was kept at Rocksbery y<sup>e</sup> 6 (12) 65

Another fast was kept at Cambridg y<sup>e</sup> 14 (12) 65

Another fast was kept at dorchester y<sup>e</sup> 27 12 65  
mr Mather did pray & preach y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from y<sup>e</sup> 79  
pla: 9 & m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day out of y<sup>e</sup> 26  
Esa

Another fast at Brantry y<sup>e</sup> 21 (1) 66

Another fast at Charles Towne about y<sup>e</sup> latter end of y<sup>e</sup>  
(1) M<sup>o</sup> 66

The 5 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 66 ther was a ginerall day of humilliation kept in this jurisdiction

M<sup>r</sup> Mather did pray & preach y<sup>e</sup> former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from y<sup>e</sup> 36 Ezek 37 verse & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton from psa 90 10

The 20 (3) 66 Bro<sup>r</sup> James Humphry was elected Deacon to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Dorchester & y<sup>e</sup> 3 (4) 66 he was ordained

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The day abovesaid after the evening exerciz m<sup>r</sup> Mather did declare unto y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> the Elders being together at Boston (some time y<sup>e</sup> weeke before) they did Consider among themselves what god Called us in this Cuntry to doe at this time Considering y<sup>e</sup> troubles that weer amongst y<sup>e</sup> nations (o<sup>r</sup> owne & others) as alsoe y<sup>e</sup> fears of enemies coming against our selves. the conclusion was that they thought god called on us for serious & sollemne fasting & prayer & therefore did p'pose to y<sup>e</sup> Severall Churches heerabouts to keepe y<sup>e</sup> next fift day being y<sup>e</sup> 21 of June in humilliation & y<sup>e</sup> rather because of great drouth y<sup>t</sup> is at this



time on y<sup>e</sup> wholl Contry unto the hazard of y<sup>e</sup> loss of y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth both Corne & grass: but the Church of Rocksbery Conceaveing y<sup>e</sup> extremety of y<sup>e</sup> Drouth soe great was willing to keepe y<sup>e</sup> day on y<sup>e</sup> third day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke being y<sup>e</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> day of this Instant

M<sup>r</sup> Mather did pray & preach in y<sup>e</sup> fore-noone from 2 Cron: 7: 13: 14 & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> afternoone from 1 Habbuk: 12

The 29 of y<sup>e</sup> (5) 66 ther was a Colection for poore distressed Christians in England at which Contribution ther was given thirty fower pounds & 13<sup>s</sup> 10<sup>d</sup><sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> in money & about 5 pounds in bills on that day but more was added afterward in money 20<sup>s</sup> & p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> bills also Came in in money Viz 24<sup>s</sup> y<sup>e</sup> whole sum did afterward amount unto 40<sup>li</sup> 13<sup>s</sup> 9<sup>d</sup><sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

The 19 6 66 y<sup>e</sup> Church & Congregation Nomenated M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & Lifenant Hopstill ffoster & deacon John Capen for to endeavor to p<sup>u</sup>er bills for England for the Colection y<sup>i</sup> was gathered to be sent thither

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The 30<sup>th</sup> (7) 66

The day abovesaid y<sup>e</sup> Elders made report to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Some offence y<sup>i</sup> lay upon M<sup>rs</sup> Clark y<sup>e</sup> wif of Captin Thomas Clarke of Boston Viz her reprochfull & Slanderous tongue against y<sup>e</sup> Honored Gover<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Rich: Bellengham & other lying expression against y<sup>e</sup> generall Court & for absenting herself from y<sup>e</sup> publique ordinances & other miscaredges for w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church thought meet to call her before them to give Satisfaction therin but she not appearing, y<sup>e</sup> Church did forbear further p<sup>u</sup>ceedeing till another time to see if she would p<sup>u</sup>sonally appear to make answer ther unto:

The 14<sup>th</sup> (8) 66

The day abovesaid M<sup>rs</sup> Clarke y<sup>e</sup> wife of Captine Tho: Clarke of Boston was Called before y<sup>e</sup> Church (she being yet a member of this Church tho dismissed long ago but yet never Joyned) she was I say called before y<sup>e</sup> Church for some offence committed for Slanderous & lying expressions of her tongue but she manifesting noe repentance for y<sup>e</sup> same was solemnly admonished before y<sup>e</sup> Church

The 28 (8) 66

The day abovesaid ther was a letter read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court wherin they did Commend to y<sup>e</sup> severall



Churches in this Jurisdiction to keep y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Day of November as a publike day of thanksgiving to god for y<sup>e</sup> continuance of o<sup>r</sup> liberty in Church & Common weale & for giving us such a portion of y<sup>e</sup> Fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth notwithstanding his threats by y<sup>e</sup> drouth this summer & blastings & meldews & worms & for p<sup>r</sup>servation from enemys

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The 17 (1) 67 M<sup>r</sup> Mather published an order w<sup>ch</sup> Came from the Councell held at Boston y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> of this Instant wheerin they did call upon all y<sup>e</sup> Churches in this Jurisdiction to keepe a day of publik humilliation some of y<sup>e</sup> Cheif grounds of it weer that amazing p<sup>r</sup>vedenc of god in burning y<sup>e</sup> greatest p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> city of London, y<sup>e</sup> raging of y<sup>e</sup> pestilence in many places in England, y<sup>e</sup> distresses of y<sup>e</sup> people of god all y<sup>e</sup> world over, y<sup>e</sup> warrs continued with france & holland y<sup>e</sup> enemys p<sup>r</sup>vailing in y<sup>e</sup> Kereby Islands y<sup>e</sup> takeing of many of o<sup>r</sup> English vessells: y<sup>e</sup> sicknesses y<sup>t</sup> have been amongst us y<sup>e</sup> blasting of y<sup>e</sup> labour of y<sup>e</sup> husbandman, y<sup>e</sup> sins of Security & sensuality & unp<sup>r</sup>fitableness under y<sup>e</sup> means of grace, y<sup>e</sup> differences y<sup>t</sup> are amongst breatheren & the like.

the day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 21 of this Instant being y<sup>e</sup> fift day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke

M<sup>r</sup> Mather did pray & preach y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from Zeph 3: 7 & m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> of the day from habbuk 3 p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 2 vers

## The 7 (2) 67

The day abovesaid ther was a contribution for y<sup>e</sup> distressed people at Capeford [?] at w<sup>ch</sup> contribution was colected in money 3<sup>li</sup> 9<sup>s</sup> 11<sup>d</sup><sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub> and in bils 4<sup>li</sup> 15 — 0

## The 13 (2) 67

M<sup>rs</sup> Clark was Called before y<sup>e</sup> Church (being formerly admonished) but she manifesting noe repentance for her sin of an ungoverned tongue was excommunicated & cast out of y<sup>e</sup> Church

## The 22 (7) 1667

The day abovesaid ther was a Contribution for y<sup>e</sup> Kings fleet at y<sup>e</sup> Kereby Islands at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was gathered between 19 & twenty pounds accounting peas at 4<sup>s</sup> p bl of w<sup>ch</sup> in money 3<sup>li</sup> 5<sup>s</sup> 5<sup>d</sup><sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>





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The 27 (8) 67

The day abovesaid an order of y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court was read requiering y<sup>e</sup> Churches in this Jurisdiction to keep a generall day of thanksgiving to god for his mercy to this Contry in keeping off y<sup>e</sup> Common Enemy of o<sup>r</sup> Nation from enfesting of o<sup>r</sup> Coasts & for his mercy in y<sup>e</sup> plentifull fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth this yecare y<sup>e</sup> day apointed is y<sup>e</sup> 5 of November being y<sup>e</sup> third day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke

M<sup>r</sup> Mather did preach out of psalm 50 23 & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton Hosea 3 latter p<sup>t</sup> of vers 5 both at one meeteing

The 24 of y<sup>e</sup> (9) M<sup>o</sup> 1667 ther was a Contribution for John Merifeild who latly lost his house by fier at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was Colected 40<sup>s</sup> want 4<sup>d</sup> in money & in Corne at 2<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>d</sup> p bl together w<sup>th</sup> other bills to y<sup>e</sup> Sume of 6<sup>li</sup> 15<sup>s</sup> more and this was by y<sup>e</sup> Select men Committed into y<sup>e</sup> hands of Deacon Humphry & John Minot to dispos for the supply of his necessety

The same day ther was an order from y<sup>e</sup> generall Court read requiering y<sup>e</sup> Churches & inhabitants of this Jurisdiction to keep a day of humilliation in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> Church of god in o<sup>r</sup> Native Cuntry & elsewhere & y<sup>e</sup> distresses of y<sup>e</sup> people of o<sup>r</sup> nation at y<sup>e</sup> Keriby Islands & y<sup>e</sup> frowns of god against o<sup>r</sup> selves in y<sup>e</sup> many losses of o<sup>r</sup> ships & vessells at sea by y<sup>e</sup> Common enemy & storms y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of desember next

The ninth of ffeb 1667 M<sup>r</sup> Mather p<sup>o</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church whether wee should not Elect & Chous some rulling Elders for y<sup>e</sup> Church & y<sup>e</sup> next Saboth y<sup>e</sup> Church concluded to keep a fast to seek unto god for direction therin y<sup>e</sup> day appointed was y<sup>e</sup> 25 (12) 67 being o<sup>r</sup> lectuer day

M<sup>r</sup> Mather did pray & preach y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from : John & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> afternoon from : Revela 2 : vers 1 M<sup>r</sup> Eliot & M<sup>r</sup> Chancey did also pray y<sup>e</sup> same day

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The 8 of y<sup>e</sup> (1) 1667 ther was an order from y<sup>e</sup> Councell published requiering a publique day of humilliation to be kept in this Jurisdiction on behalf of this Contry & England & y<sup>e</sup> people of god in other p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 26 of this Instant

M<sup>r</sup> Mather & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton carryed on y<sup>e</sup> work of y<sup>e</sup> day

The 15 of y<sup>e</sup> (1) 1667 y<sup>e</sup> Church had some adjetation





about Chousing ruling elders at w<sup>ch</sup> time it was Voted that one ruling elder should be Chosen by votes y<sup>e</sup> next lords day & in y<sup>e</sup> meane time y<sup>e</sup> Church Voted y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton should be once more sent unto by messengers from y<sup>e</sup> Church to see if he would yet accept of y<sup>e</sup> office of a teaching elder y<sup>e</sup> messengers weer M<sup>r</sup> Mather M<sup>r</sup> Minot Deacon Humfry Bro<sup>r</sup> Leeds & Bro<sup>r</sup> Rich Baker

The 22 of (1) 68 M<sup>r</sup> Mather gave an account of ther Mes-  
sadge to M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton w<sup>ch</sup> was negative he did not se meete  
to accept of office

The same day Votes weer brought in for one ruling elder  
& deacon John Wiswall had y<sup>e</sup> Major Vote y<sup>e</sup> 5 (2) 68 y<sup>e</sup>  
Church by a Vote did Nominate y<sup>e</sup> Deacons Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen &  
James Humphry to be ther Messengers to acquaint Deacon  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Wiswell of y<sup>e</sup> Churches calling him to y<sup>e</sup> office of a rull-  
ing Elder & to desier his presence p<sup>o</sup>sonally y<sup>e</sup> next lords  
day to declare his acceptation of y<sup>e</sup> Churches Choice

The 12 (2) 68 a letter was read from Deacon Jn<sup>o</sup> Wiswell  
declaring some reasons of his non acceptation to y<sup>e</sup> office of  
a rulling Elder for y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>o</sup>sent y<sup>e</sup> Church tooke it into Consid-  
eration what to doe in y<sup>t</sup> Case, at last concluded to respit y<sup>e</sup>  
matter one fortnight longer

The 3 of y<sup>e</sup> (3) 68 Deacon Jn<sup>o</sup> Wiswall gave his full an-  
swer of his non acceptation of y<sup>e</sup> Churches Vote to y<sup>e</sup> office  
of a ruling Elder

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The 2 of y<sup>e</sup> (6) 1668 ther was a letter read sent from y<sup>e</sup>  
old Church at Boston wherin they did desier y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church of  
dorchester would send ther Elders & messengers the 4<sup>th</sup> day  
of this week being y<sup>e</sup> 5 of this Instant for to give ther Coun-  
sell & advise in a matter Concerning some difference y<sup>t</sup> was  
amongst them about y<sup>e</sup> Calling of M<sup>r</sup> Davenport to be an  
officer amongst them y<sup>e</sup> Church nominated & voted for y<sup>e</sup>  
Elders M<sup>r</sup> Mather & M<sup>r</sup> Minot Captaine Clap & Captin ffor-  
ster should be sent & they desiered M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton also

The 9 of y<sup>e</sup> (6) 68 M<sup>r</sup> Mather gave an accout of ther mes-  
savg concerning w<sup>ch</sup> they weer sent to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Boston  
Viz in breife y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church might p<sup>o</sup>ceed in Calling of M<sup>r</sup>  
Davenport & y<sup>e</sup> dissenting breatheren might gather them-  
selves into another Church. but it was more largely exprest  
in wrighting at that time

The 13 (7) 68 y<sup>e</sup> Church was caused to stay & they weer  
enformed by M<sup>r</sup> Mather y<sup>t</sup> two of o<sup>r</sup> breatheren at Melton  
had taken offense against Robt Badcock & weer yet unsat-



isfied for w<sup>ch</sup> Cause the Church was appointed to Com together y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of this week being y<sup>e</sup> 16 of this Instant to heer y<sup>e</sup> Case at w<sup>ch</sup> time y<sup>e</sup> Case being before y<sup>e</sup> Church it did not appear y<sup>t</sup> ther was such offence given as was apprehended

The 20<sup>th</sup> (7) 68 M<sup>r</sup> Mather acquainted y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>th</sup> a motion made to him & y<sup>e</sup> Church by M<sup>rs</sup> Stoughton & her daughter Taylor

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namly that her Children might be baptized she being a member of this Church by parents Covenant and after much adjection y<sup>e</sup> Issue was y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Mather should speake w<sup>th</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Taylor to see if she would joyne in full Comunion w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church & soe come to lords Supp alsoe.

The 24 (8) 68 M<sup>r</sup> Mather declared to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> he haveing spoken w<sup>th</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Taylor as aforesaid, her answer was y<sup>t</sup> she did not Judge her self worthy or as yet fitt for y<sup>e</sup> lords supp & therfore durst not adventure ther uppon but yet did desier baptizme for her Children but y<sup>e</sup> Church could not fully or comfortably agree about it & soe it rested.

The 15 (9) 68 the Church made Choice of Deacon James Humphrey for a rulling elder

The same time y<sup>e</sup> Church did by Vote appoint y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton should be yet againe Invited to accept of office in y<sup>e</sup> Church & to y<sup>t</sup> end some weer appointed Viz Captin foster & y<sup>e</sup> two deacons to goe to M<sup>r</sup> Stoughtons y<sup>e</sup> same night & acquaint him w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Churches motion & that they did expect his answer to y<sup>e</sup> whole Church at some Convenient time: but y<sup>e</sup> next lords day M<sup>r</sup> Mather being not able to be abroad through some bodyly infermety, his answer was not then called for

The 6<sup>th</sup> (10) 68 y<sup>e</sup> Church was Caused to stay & likewise M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton for to give his answer to y<sup>e</sup> Church Concerning accepting of office but he would not stay but said he had noe other answer but what he gave y<sup>e</sup> messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>ch</sup> was sent unto him; who being demanded what answer they had receaved it was

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answered by one of y<sup>e</sup> Deacons that M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton was not willing to accept of office, but thought y<sup>t</sup> it weer fitter for him to give over preaching alsoe: but of the twaine he could more essily grant that, then y<sup>e</sup> former.



The same day y<sup>e</sup> Church did agree by a vote y<sup>t</sup> ther should be another rulling Elder Chosen becaus bro<sup>r</sup> Humphry would not accept of his place w<sup>th</sup>out another to be Joyned with him at w<sup>ch</sup> tim it was agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> next lords day men should bring in ther votes; & becaus it was lik y<sup>t</sup> ther would be seaverall men voated for it was agreed y<sup>t</sup> those two men w<sup>ch</sup> had y<sup>e</sup> most voats should be men nominated & y<sup>e</sup> next Voate should be w<sup>ch</sup> of those men it should bee

The 13 (10) 68. voats weer brought in for a rulling elder & the two breatheren w<sup>ch</sup> had most Voats weer Richard Baker & Deacon John Capen & y<sup>e</sup> next lords day Vots weer to be brought in which of those two should be a rulling Elder

The 6 (10) 68 a letter was read from y<sup>e</sup> Church of Boston who desired y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Elders & some messengers might be sent to them one y<sup>e</sup> 9 of this Instant to y<sup>e</sup> ordination of M<sup>r</sup> Davenport & M<sup>r</sup> Allen: y<sup>e</sup> Elders being not well able to goe, y<sup>e</sup> Church appointed Captin Clap, Captin ffoster, & y<sup>e</sup> two Deacons Viz Deacon Humfry & Deacon Capen who on that day aforesaid did meet together at Boston & M<sup>r</sup> Davenport was ordained pastor to y<sup>t</sup> Church & M<sup>r</sup> Allen Teacher.

The 20 10<sup>th</sup> 68 ther was a Contribution for Samuuell Hill whos Estate was low & needed some p<sup>s</sup>ent releif & y<sup>e</sup> more by reason his house had been latly broken up & goods taken from him: at this time ther was gathered about 2<sup>li</sup> 12<sup>s</sup> in money & about 10<sup>s</sup> in Corne & it was

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Committed into y<sup>e</sup> hands of Jn<sup>o</sup> Minot & Thomas Tilstone to disburse for there supply

The same day voats weer brought in for a rulling Elder Viz one of those two men formerly Nominated y<sup>e</sup> Major Voate was for Richard Baker who at that time p<sup>f</sup>est his unwillingnes to accept of y<sup>e</sup> Call, but left to his further consideration.

The same time ther was appointed a day of humilliation together w<sup>th</sup> some more of y<sup>e</sup> Churches heer abouts in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> Church of god in other p<sup>t</sup>s of y<sup>e</sup> world & in this Contry: y<sup>e</sup> day agreed on is y<sup>e</sup> 23 of this Instant being y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of this weeke

The 27 10<sup>th</sup> 68 y<sup>e</sup> Church called upon Richard Baker for his acceptance of the office of a rulling Elder but he being unwilling to take y<sup>t</sup> office upon him did give a negative





answer; wherupon y<sup>e</sup> Church p<sup>r</sup>ceeded in ther determination to ordaine bro<sup>r</sup> Humphry alone in Convenient time.

The 3 (11) after y<sup>e</sup> morning exerciz M<sup>r</sup> Mather p<sup>r</sup>pounded to y<sup>e</sup> Church for the Chousing of another Deacon in Brother Humphrys roome or place & that if they weer soe minded y<sup>t</sup> they would bring in Voats after y<sup>e</sup> Evening exersiz for whom they would have to w<sup>ch</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church by ther silence did agree: y<sup>e</sup> reason of chousing soe sudently was becaus y<sup>e</sup> Elder & Deacon might be both ordained together on y<sup>e</sup> day of humilliation w<sup>ch</sup> was intended shortly to be kept

After y<sup>e</sup> Evening exersiz Votes weer brought in, it being agreed on before y<sup>t</sup> if ther weer Variety of men nominated soe y<sup>t</sup> he y<sup>t</sup> had y<sup>e</sup> most Vots had not y<sup>e</sup> major Vote of y<sup>e</sup> wholl Church then those two y<sup>t</sup> had y<sup>e</sup> most Vots should y<sup>e</sup> next lords day be put to y<sup>e</sup> Vote againe, w<sup>ch</sup> of thos two it should be & y<sup>e</sup> two y<sup>t</sup> had most Vots weer Samuuell Clap & James Blake

The same time y<sup>e</sup> Church agreed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day Seavennight after being y<sup>e</sup> 13 of this Instant y<sup>e</sup> Church would ordaine y<sup>e</sup> officers y<sup>t</sup> are & should be Chosen.

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The same time Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Sister Smith was dismist to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery though she was not a member heer in full Comunion

The 10 (11) 68 when as Votes should have been brought in for a deacon, one of y<sup>e</sup> men formerly nominated was not at meeting, therefore y<sup>e</sup> Election at that time was omitted till another Convenient time only it was agreed on y<sup>t</sup> Elder Humfry should be ordained alone on y<sup>e</sup> next 4<sup>th</sup> day being y<sup>e</sup> 13 (11) 68 w<sup>ch</sup> was done on that day M<sup>r</sup> Mather praying & preaching in y<sup>e</sup> fore part of y<sup>e</sup> day & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & M<sup>r</sup> Eliot praying in y<sup>e</sup> after p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day and then M<sup>r</sup> Mather & M<sup>r</sup> Eliot layd on ther hands: m<sup>r</sup> Minot being absent

The 31 (11) 68 Voats weer brought in for a Deacon of one of y<sup>e</sup> men formerly Nominated & Samuel Clap had y<sup>e</sup> Major Voate

The 28 (12) 68 it was declared y<sup>t</sup> Samuuell Clap in regard he had not y<sup>e</sup> Major Voat of y<sup>e</sup> whol Church he Could not be willing to accept of y<sup>e</sup> place wheerupon y<sup>e</sup> Church did agree y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> next lords day they would bring in Voats againe for a deacon

The 7<sup>th</sup> (1) 68 Voats being brought in for a Deacon; Richard Withington & James Blake weer y<sup>e</sup> men that had most



Voats though neither of them had y<sup>e</sup> Major Voat of y<sup>e</sup> wholl Church, but it was appointed y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> next lords day Voats should be brought in for one of thos two

The same day Robt Badcock did both by word & wrighting make some accknowledgment of his two forwardnes in takeing up & devulging some reports w<sup>th</sup> tended to y<sup>e</sup> blemishing of M<sup>r</sup> Emerson

The 14<sup>th</sup> (1) 68 Votes weer brought in for a Deacon & Rich Withington had 33 Voates & James Blake 29.

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The 21 (1) 68 an order was published from y<sup>e</sup> Councell requiering all y<sup>e</sup> Churches in this Jurisdiction to keepe a day of humillation in regard of this Contry & y<sup>e</sup> Church of god in other p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world y<sup>e</sup> day is the 25 of this Instant

M<sup>r</sup> Mather exersised y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from Lament: 340 & M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> from Jer 18 5:6

The 28 (1) 69 Richard Withington being formerly Chosen to y<sup>e</sup> office of a deacon declared his acceptance.

The 4 (2) 69 an order was published from y<sup>e</sup> Counsell requiering all y<sup>e</sup> Elders in this Collony to take espesall care (by themselves and such as they shall take to them) to Catechize y<sup>e</sup> yunger people & to enquier after ther p<sup>r</sup>fitting by y<sup>e</sup> publique means & whether ther Conversation be answerable in any measuer therunto, & this not only Church members but all in generall & not only in y<sup>e</sup> publique but from house to house as they are able: y<sup>e</sup> maner of doeing this was left to farther consideration

The 11<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 69 a letter was read directed to y<sup>e</sup> Church from y<sup>e</sup> desenting breatheren of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Boston (Viz y<sup>e</sup> old Church) wheerin they did express ther desier to this Church to send ther Elders & messengers to Boston on y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> of this Instant to give them Counsell what may be y<sup>e</sup> mind of god y<sup>t</sup> they should doe in refferance to y<sup>e</sup> difference y<sup>t</sup> was between y<sup>e</sup> Church ther & them: this Church after long adjetation (some expressing themselves as not willing to send any, seeing y<sup>e</sup> Church at Boston did not send) yet at length y<sup>e</sup> Major p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Church did by Vote Nominate & appoint M<sup>r</sup> Mather & Eldr Humphry Captaine Clap & Captin ffooster & requested M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton to Joyne with them

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(The Revd m<sup>r</sup> Richard Mather Teacher of the Ch<sup>h</sup> at Dorchester Rested from His Labours.)



The 2 of y<sup>e</sup> (3) 69 y<sup>e</sup> Church appointed some to goe to m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton to desier him to Continue his labour in preaching not only one p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> lords day but all y<sup>e</sup> day untill we could be otherwise p<sup>r</sup>vided for the which he granted

The same day it was agreed unto by y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> a day of humilliation should be kept to humble o<sup>r</sup> souls before god & to seeke his direction for a supply of teaching officers to this Church y<sup>e</sup> day appointed was the 14 of this Instant May at w<sup>ch</sup> time M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton did first pray and then M<sup>r</sup> Increase Mather did pray & preach in y<sup>e</sup> fore p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day and M<sup>r</sup> Eliot did pray & then M<sup>r</sup> Thecher did pray & preach in y<sup>e</sup> after p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day

The same day or y<sup>e</sup> day before being y<sup>e</sup> 25 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 69 y<sup>e</sup> result of y<sup>e</sup> Counsell (meet at Boston in y<sup>e</sup> case of y<sup>e</sup> desenting breatheren) was read to y<sup>e</sup> Church as also a letter sent by y<sup>e</sup> Elders of Boston unto this Church in reference to y<sup>e</sup> same Casse

The 16 (3) 69 y<sup>e</sup> Church nominated some to goe to M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton and acquaint him y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church did desier him to Joyn to this Church & y<sup>t</sup> he would accept of office to be a teaching officer to this Church & y<sup>t</sup> he would take it into serious Consideration & in Convenient time to give his answer unto y<sup>e</sup> whole Church all which was y<sup>e</sup> same evening declared unto him

The 4 (5) 69 y<sup>e</sup> Church Nominated some to goe to M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton againe to renew ther motion unto him to accept of office y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> was the same day don

The 19 (7) 69 it was p<sup>r</sup>posed in y<sup>e</sup> Church by y<sup>e</sup> Elders whether M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton should not be called on for his answer whether he would accept of office, y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion was y<sup>t</sup> first y<sup>e</sup> Church should set a p<sup>t</sup> a day to seek god by fasting and prayer y<sup>t</sup> god would be pleased

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to direct both y<sup>e</sup> Church & him in y<sup>t</sup> matter, y<sup>e</sup> day appointed was the 29 of this Instant w<sup>ch</sup> was p<sup>r</sup>formed by y<sup>e</sup> breatheren in prayer only

The 10 (8) 69 y<sup>e</sup> Church by a Vote agreed y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton should be desiered to give his answer either y<sup>e</sup> next lords day or very shortly & y<sup>t</sup> to be done before y<sup>e</sup> wholl Church if he please, & some appointed to give him notice of it before

The 30<sup>th</sup> (8) 69 y<sup>e</sup> Church understanding y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton was inclined to give a negative answer (if he weer called on) did by Voate desier y<sup>e</sup> Elder & two of y<sup>e</sup> Breatheren to





desier y<sup>e</sup> Elders of other Churches at ther meeting at Boston in some Convenient time to p'suad & encuredg M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton to accept of a call when he should be to give his finall answer

The same day Notice was given of a publique day of thanksgiving to be kept being enjoyned by y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court for y<sup>e</sup> lords mercy in hearing of prayers & staying y<sup>e</sup> exceeding great wett & raine w<sup>ch</sup> was this sommer w<sup>ch</sup> did threaten y<sup>e</sup> spoiling of all sorts of corne & fresh hay: and for giving a competent increas of y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth y<sup>s</sup> day appointed was y<sup>e</sup> 17 (9) next the day was carryed on by m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton both p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from Deutrenomy 16 last p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 15 vers

The 2 (11) 69 y<sup>e</sup> Church being stayed after y<sup>e</sup> evening exersiz, Consideration then was had whether m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton should not be desiered to give his full answer whether he would accept of office, the Conclusion was y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Elder & Deacon should goe to him & receave his answer y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> they did, his answer was negative y<sup>t</sup> he was not willing to accept

The same time also a Church meeting was appointed y<sup>e</sup> next day to consider whether (if m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton should refus) we should not

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send for some man or men from England, a ship being ready to goe

At w<sup>ch</sup> meeting being y<sup>e</sup> 3 11 69 after much adgetation y<sup>e</sup> Church did not incline for y<sup>e</sup> p'sent to send to Ingland not as a Church act but y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion by a Vote was y<sup>t</sup> it should be left w<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & y<sup>e</sup> Elder & Captin Clap & Captin ffoster for to Consider together & to advise w<sup>th</sup> one another & w<sup>th</sup> other Elders if they see meet whether ther may not be a supply had in this Contry and they to Nominate two as they may think fitt & the Church to consider & to determin whether one of thos two should be y<sup>e</sup> man or neither of them

The same time also it was p'posed to y<sup>e</sup> Consideration of y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> seeing ther have been of late a great slacknes in y<sup>e</sup> breatherens Coming to y<sup>e</sup> Contribution on y<sup>e</sup> lords day. whether it should be continued or not, divers exprest themselves willing it should be continued, but y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion was by a ginerall assent (though not by Vote) that for a time y<sup>e</sup> Deacon might forbear calling for Contribution on y<sup>e</sup> lords day untill we should have Sacraments againe or till the Church had occasion for it

The Same day it was agreed unto by a Vote y<sup>t</sup> ther should be ten pounds disbursed out of the Church Stock to wards





y<sup>e</sup> expenses of m<sup>r</sup> Mathers funerall & the erecting of a pillar on his grave (ther being ten pounds more allowed out of the Towne Rate for that end) alsoe at that time y<sup>e</sup> Church appointed bro<sup>r</sup> Clement & bro<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Smith to git y<sup>e</sup> worke done about y<sup>e</sup> grave & to receave soe much into ther hands as will defray that Charge & M<sup>r</sup> Timothy Mather to have y<sup>e</sup> remainder

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The 9 (11) 69 after y<sup>e</sup> evening exersiz y<sup>e</sup> Church was desierd to stay on this account Viz Some of thos breatheren who wer laty appointed to look out for a fitt man for to be a teaching officer in y<sup>e</sup> Church thought y<sup>t</sup> (seeing y<sup>e</sup> ship was not yet gon) yit would be best to send to England for one: others thought not soe fitt but y<sup>e</sup> question was whether y<sup>e</sup> Church would stay at that time to agetate y<sup>t</sup> matter y<sup>e</sup> Vote was negative

The 30 (11) 69 a letter was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> first Church at Boston w<sup>ch</sup> was, to understand whether it would be offensive to o<sup>r</sup> Church if they should Call deacon Wiswall to y<sup>e</sup> office of a ruling Elder, y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> was left to Consider off till y<sup>e</sup> next lords day

The 13 12 69 discours ther was in y<sup>e</sup> Church Conserving Deacon Wiswall in Conclusion Two breatheren weer appointed to desier deacon Wiswall to come & speake w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church himself

The 20 12 69 Deacon Wiswall being p<sup>s</sup>ent it was desiered of him to declare his mind whether he would Continue at boston or remove to us againe. after long adjection he did declare y<sup>t</sup> he thought god Called him to Continue ther yet y<sup>e</sup> Church did not Conclud of an answer to y<sup>e</sup> Church of boston but deferred it till an other weeke to consider of it

The 27 12 69 It was concluded by a Vote in y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> a letter should be sent to y<sup>e</sup> first Church at Boston to declare to them y<sup>t</sup> it should not be offensive to y<sup>e</sup> Church if they did look after deacon Wiswall for to be a ruling elder amongst them

The same time Sister Blake, y<sup>e</sup> old Widdow desiered her dismission to y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> Church at Boston ye Church at y<sup>e</sup> motion of 2 or 3 of y<sup>e</sup> breathen did take it into Consideration till y<sup>e</sup> next lords day

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The 6 of y<sup>e</sup> (1) 69 The matter Concerning Sister Blaks dismission to y<sup>e</sup> third Church in Boston was proposed againe, & divers exprest themselves for it & divers would have it



waved untill a further time at length it was put to y<sup>e</sup> Vote whether y<sup>e</sup> Church would Issue y<sup>e</sup> matter at that time. ther weer 18 or 19 for it & 12 or 13 against it then her dismission was put to y<sup>e</sup> Vote & ther was y<sup>e</sup> lik number for it & against it then it was spoken too by some y<sup>t</sup> ther weer some y<sup>t</sup> weer Newter & they should be counted Negatives soe y<sup>t</sup> at lenth y<sup>e</sup> Vote was put by parting of Companys & of thos y<sup>t</sup> weer p<sup>r</sup>sent ther wer 22 for her dismission & 19 against it & some y<sup>t</sup> had been Newters before went away & would not Vote any way but Deacon Wiswall w<sup>ch</sup> was against it in y<sup>e</sup> former Vote was gone before y<sup>e</sup> latter Vote

The 24 (2) 70 a letter Came to o<sup>r</sup> Church from y<sup>e</sup> first Church at Boston wherin they did desier o<sup>r</sup> Church to send ther messengers to y<sup>e</sup> ordaining of M<sup>r</sup> Oxenbridg for a pastor & M<sup>r</sup> John Wiswall for a Ruling Elder to y<sup>t</sup> Church y<sup>e</sup> day apointed is y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> (3) 70

The Church desiered M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton to goe for one & they apointed Captin Clap Captin ffoster Elder Humphry & Deacon Capen

The 5 (4) 70 an order was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> generall Court wherin they did appoint a day of humilliation to be kept one y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> this Instant June M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton exersized y<sup>e</sup> former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from Eay 57 17 p<sup>t</sup> 18 & M<sup>r</sup> Atherton y<sup>e</sup> latter p<sup>t</sup> from Lament 3 11 : & y<sup>e</sup> Elder did pray in y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion of y<sup>e</sup> day

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The 12 (4) 70 a letter was read w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Brantry wherin they did desier o<sup>r</sup> Church to send some help in way of Councell in regard of y<sup>e</sup> differences y<sup>t</sup> weer amongst them in respect of teaching officers: y<sup>e</sup> Church did desier M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton for one & appointed Elder Humphry & Capt ffoster y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 20 June 70

### 21 (6) 70

Wheras y<sup>e</sup> Church at a former meeting nominated M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton Elder Humphry Capt Clap & Capt: ffoster to Consider & look out for a man for a teaching officer & they to p<sup>r</sup>pos two or three and then y<sup>e</sup> Church to declare by Voat w<sup>ch</sup> of thos they would Invite for p<sup>r</sup>bation: now after a pretty long time of Consideration they have upon this 21 (6) 70 p<sup>r</sup>pounded three for y<sup>e</sup> Church to Consider off Viz M<sup>r</sup> flint of Brantry M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Eliot of Rocksbery & m<sup>r</sup> Butler in old England y<sup>e</sup> Church was to Consider of it & y<sup>e</sup> next lords day to bring in Voats which they would Invite &



thos two w<sup>ch</sup> have the most Voats should y<sup>e</sup> next lords day after be Voated againe

The 28 of y<sup>e</sup> (6) 70 y<sup>e</sup> Church brought in ther Voats & m<sup>r</sup> flint & m<sup>r</sup> Eliot had y<sup>e</sup> most Voats y<sup>e</sup> Church was to Consider of it till y<sup>e</sup> next lords day & then to bring in Voats for one of thos two

The 4 (7) 70 Voats weer brought in as was formerly appointed and m<sup>r</sup> flint had y<sup>e</sup> Major Voate afterward y<sup>e</sup> Elder put it to Voate to y<sup>e</sup> whole Church whether any member had anything against it or whether they did all consent to what was Voated y<sup>e</sup> Voat was in y<sup>e</sup> affirmative At y<sup>e</sup> same time y<sup>e</sup> Church did Nominat seaverall breatheren to be ther messengers to acquaint m<sup>r</sup> flint w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> motion Viz M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton (whom y<sup>e</sup> Church desiered) and Elder Humphry Capt Clap: Capten ffoster & Deacon Capen

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The 11 (7) 70 ther was a letter read to y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>ch</sup> Came from Hull expressing ther intent to enter into Church state & ordaining (the Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Whitman &) some officer or officers besides as also ther desier that o<sup>r</sup> Church would send some messengers to assist & hold out y<sup>e</sup> right hand of ffellowship unto them y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> this Instant: y<sup>e</sup> Church desiered M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton to be one and Elder Humphry for y<sup>e</sup> other.

The same time there was an order read w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> Counsell requiering a publique fast to be kept in this Jurisdiction In regard of y<sup>e</sup> distresses of y<sup>e</sup> people of god abroad & espessally as it is feared in o<sup>r</sup> Native Contry y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is ye 22 this Instant being ye fift day of y<sup>e</sup> weeke

The 18 7 70 after y<sup>e</sup> Evening exersiz y<sup>e</sup> Elder declared to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>e</sup> return of ther messadg to Hull Viz that ther was a Church gathered & a teaching officer & a rulling elder ordained & eleven p<sup>'</sup>sons in all entered into Covenant at that time

The 6 (9) 70 an order Came from y<sup>e</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> Court requiering a day to be kept of thanksgiving for y<sup>e</sup> peace y<sup>t</sup> we yet enjoy & other generall mercys; y<sup>e</sup> day is y<sup>e</sup> 24 this Instant

The 25 10 70 ther was a contribution in money p<sup>'ly</sup> for a recompence to m<sup>r</sup> flint for his labour in preaching & p<sup>'ly</sup> for other nessesary uses at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was Collected two pound 17<sup>s</sup> 3<sup>d</sup><sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of w<sup>ch</sup> M<sup>r</sup> flint had 40<sup>s</sup> y<sup>e</sup> next day

The 1 11 70 y<sup>e</sup> Committee y<sup>t</sup> was appointed (or messengers)





to Invite m<sup>r</sup> flint (in y<sup>e</sup> name of y<sup>e</sup> Church) to Come to us & preach to us in a constant way for p<sup>b</sup>ation to a further call delivered his answer (after seaverall addresses unto him) w<sup>ch</sup> was an answer of acceptance of y<sup>e</sup> Churches call soe farre

The same time y<sup>e</sup> Church by Voate did nominate & appoint y<sup>e</sup> Elder & Deakon w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> select men & Capt Clap & Bro<sup>r</sup> Sumner for to speak w<sup>th</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & desier y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church may Enjoy his labour alsoe as a help unto m<sup>r</sup> flint for some time

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The 12 (12) 1670 Notice was given by y<sup>e</sup> Elder that y<sup>e</sup> Elders meeting together at Boston lately did Conceave y<sup>t</sup> it was needfull for y<sup>e</sup> Churches & people heer abouts to keep a day of fasting & prayer to god for thes reasons viz: y<sup>e</sup> sad condition of the people of god in Our Native Contry & y<sup>e</sup> places adjacent being under great restraints & affliction as also in regard of y<sup>e</sup> great p<sup>r</sup>valeing & increas of sine & wickednes amongst o<sup>r</sup> selves y<sup>e</sup> day appointed was y<sup>e</sup> first of March next: to this motion y<sup>e</sup> Congregation consented

The 12 1 1671 it was agreed unto by a Vote in y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & y<sup>e</sup> Elder & bro<sup>r</sup> Sumner together w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Select men should speake w<sup>th</sup> m<sup>r</sup> flint & desier him to Come & take up his residence amongst us & Joyne to o<sup>r</sup> Church in order to o<sup>r</sup> further p<sup>r</sup>ceeding to call him to office:

The same day Jn<sup>o</sup> Holbrook was dismissed unto y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery though he was not in full Comunion

The 7 (3) 71 a letter was read in y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> County Court in w<sup>ch</sup> they did sterr up our Church together w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church at y<sup>e</sup> north end of Boston & deadham & Waymouth; for to send by ther messengers for to enquier into y<sup>e</sup> reason of (the Church at Braintry) ther great differance & slownes in p<sup>r</sup>viding a minester of y<sup>e</sup> word unto them; y<sup>e</sup> Church at y<sup>e</sup> same time Nominated & desiered m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton for one & the rulling elder: Capt Clap & Capt ffoster

The 16 (5) 71 y<sup>e</sup> Church was desiered to stay to consider whether we should not send to m<sup>r</sup> flint againe to sterr him up to hasten his remove to dorchester & to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church in order to office relation: y<sup>e</sup> Church did apoint y<sup>e</sup> Elder & deakon Captin ffoster & some more to doe it: & Augustin Clement & Jn<sup>o</sup> Smith to consider about finishing his hous

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Y<sup>e</sup> 23 5 71 y<sup>e</sup> messengers y<sup>t</sup> weer sent to M<sup>r</sup> flint returned his answer that he thought it not convenient for to Joyne



to y<sup>e</sup> Church untill he was settled heer in towne but as soone as his hous is ready he did purpos to Come away

The 30<sup>th</sup> 5 71 y<sup>e</sup> Elder after y<sup>e</sup> evening exercis read a declaration of what they did when they went to brantry which he could not doe before becaus it was not drawne up in wrighting, as alsoe it was therin declared what advis & counsell they left with them: The same time it was thought fitt that y<sup>e</sup> same Churches should goe to them againe by their messengers to know what effect their Counsell had taken with them to which y<sup>e</sup> Church agreed & apointed y<sup>e</sup> former messengers

The 24 7 71 ther was a letter read y<sup>t</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Councell who appointed a publique day of thanksgivinge to be kept in this Jurisdiction for y<sup>e</sup> Continuance of peace & libertys in Church & state & for y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 19 8 71

The 12 9 71 M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & M<sup>r</sup> flint weer admitted members of this Church wi<sup>th</sup>out makeing any relation but ther dismission being made known & entering into Covenant

The 26 9 71 the Church did Elect m<sup>r</sup> flint to be a teaching officer to this Church

The 3 of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 71 M<sup>r</sup> flint gave in his answer unto the Church of his acceptance unto y<sup>e</sup> office of a pastor unto the which y<sup>e</sup> Church had before elected him

The same time it was Concluded by the Church y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> of this Instant should be the day of ordination and that y<sup>e</sup> Churches at Boston & Cambridg Charlstowne Rocksbery & Waymoth should be sent unto to desier them to send their Elders & messengers to Asist in that worke

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The 10<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 71

The Major p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Church did agree by a Vote that M<sup>r</sup> Eliot of Rocksbery should be desiered to manedge y<sup>e</sup> worke of Ordination & giving the Charge, though some of the breatheren weer not soe free ther unto but would have had it p<sup>r</sup>formed by y<sup>e</sup> Church alone but y<sup>e</sup> ruling Elder desiered to be spared therin.

The 24<sup>th</sup> 10 71 y<sup>e</sup> ruling Elder p<sup>r</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> some other breatheren or brother might be appointed to lay on hands at y<sup>e</sup> time of ordination or els some other Elders but y<sup>e</sup> Church appointed only Deacon Capen to be added to m<sup>r</sup> Eliot & y<sup>e</sup> ruling Elder

The 27<sup>th</sup> 10 71 the worke of ordination was Solemnized



for y<sup>e</sup> ordaining of m<sup>r</sup> Josiah flint to be a pastor unto this Church of dorchester and it was approved off by y<sup>e</sup> Elders & messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Churches formerly sent unto; and m<sup>r</sup> Chancy was appointed in y<sup>e</sup> name of all y<sup>e</sup> Churches to give y<sup>e</sup> right hand of fellowship

The 7 11 71 We had y<sup>e</sup> sacrament of y<sup>e</sup> lords Super administered by M<sup>r</sup> flint

The 5 3 72 Votes weer brought in for a Deacon & James Blk & Ju<sup>r</sup> Gornell had most Votes & then they two being put to y<sup>e</sup> vote againe James Blake had 34 Vots & y<sup>e</sup> other 19 but his answer of acceptance was deferred till y<sup>e</sup> next lords day

The 26 3 72 James Blake was called upon to give his answer at which time he did manifest his acceptance of his call to y<sup>e</sup> office of a deacon

The same time it was spoken unto & p<sup>r</sup>posed by y<sup>e</sup> Church whether we should not have a Contribution once a month or evey lords day for p<sup>r</sup>sons to bring in p<sup>r</sup> of ther p<sup>r</sup>portion to y<sup>e</sup> maintenance of y<sup>e</sup> ministry in money to be kept upon an account as p<sup>r</sup> of ther p<sup>r</sup>portion y<sup>e</sup> which was Concluded that it should

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be p<sup>r</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> whole assembly the next lords day alsoe something was said Concerning Catechising but not concluded in what manner

alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same time it was Concluded that we should have a lectuer once a month to be on y<sup>e</sup> fowerth day of the week, y<sup>e</sup> which day m<sup>r</sup> flint Nominated & to begin as soone as m<sup>r</sup> flint did see fitt & Convenient with respect unto himself

The 9 4 72 It was p<sup>r</sup>posed by the elder that ther should be a Contribution every lords day cheifly in money each man putting in his paper with his name in it & how much money he have therin put w<sup>ch</sup> should be kept on account by y<sup>e</sup> deacon & at y<sup>e</sup> end of y<sup>e</sup> yeer it should be accounted as soe much of his p<sup>r</sup>portion towards y<sup>e</sup> maintenance of y<sup>e</sup> ministry only y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament days that Contribution should be for y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>vision for ye lords table but this was not put to y<sup>e</sup> Vote yet afterwards practized.

The same day notice was given of a publick day of humiliation to be kept on the 13 of this month the grounds was not declared but in generall in regard of the troubls of y<sup>e</sup> Church of Christ in o<sup>r</sup> native Cuntry & elce wheer & the devidissions amongst our selves y<sup>e</sup> former p<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day was spent by m<sup>r</sup> Atherton & y<sup>e</sup> latter by M<sup>r</sup> flint





The 23 4 72 y<sup>e</sup> Church & some of y<sup>e</sup> Congregation began Contribution to y<sup>e</sup> maintenance of y<sup>e</sup> ministry

The same day M<sup>r</sup> flint desired the Church & Congregation to send in the names of all children & servants y<sup>t</sup> weere under any famely government in order to catechising or some other way of instruction

The 25 6 72 a letter was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Brantry wherin they did desire y<sup>e</sup> Elders & messengers of this Church to be sent to them on y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> Sep for to ther ordination of m<sup>r</sup> fisk to be an officer amongst them, at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was appointed o<sup>r</sup> Teaching & rulling elders m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton Captin ffoster & deacon Capen & Deacon Blake

At w<sup>ch</sup> time m<sup>r</sup> ffisk was ordained a pastor to y<sup>e</sup> Church at Brantry

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The 3 9 72 an order was read w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> generall Court w<sup>ch</sup> appointed y<sup>e</sup> 20 of this Instant to be kept as a day of thanksgiving & y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (10) 72 a day of humilliation

The 10 9<sup>th</sup> 72 It was made known to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> ther weere some yong men would Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> Church if they might have ther relation read in wrighting & though some spake against it at first; yet when it was made knowne to Church y<sup>t</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> second month 65 such a thing was by Vote granted on such Condition as is ther registered y<sup>e</sup> Church did again Consent to it by a Vote put by y<sup>e</sup> silence of y<sup>e</sup> Church against w<sup>ch</sup> none replied after it

The same day y<sup>e</sup> Church appointed y<sup>e</sup> two Deacons to Returne thanks unto M<sup>rs</sup> Thatcher of Boston for her gift to y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>ch</sup> was a silver Cupp for y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament & a greene Cushin for y<sup>e</sup> Desk

The 18 4 73 ther was a day of Humilliation kept in o<sup>r</sup> Church p<sup>ly</sup> w<sup>th</sup> respect to y<sup>e</sup> state of y<sup>e</sup> Churches of Christ in other p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world & y<sup>e</sup> Commotions of o<sup>r</sup> nation w<sup>th</sup> other nations & w<sup>th</sup> respect to o<sup>r</sup> owne Condition in this Contry & alsoe being intended y<sup>e</sup> begining of setting up y<sup>e</sup> monthly lecturers: The day was spent by M<sup>r</sup> flint in y<sup>e</sup> forenoone & M<sup>r</sup> Alen praying in y<sup>e</sup> afternoon & M<sup>r</sup> Tory preaching & docter Hore concluding by prayer

The 13 5 73 notice was given y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> next wednesday being y<sup>e</sup> 16 instant July y<sup>e</sup> monthly lecturer was to begin

The 17 6 73 ther was notice given of a generall day of humilliation to be kept in this Collony on y<sup>e</sup> 28 of this



Instant being y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>t</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> week p<sup>ly</sup> by reason of the duch  
o<sup>r</sup> enemys being soe neer us they haveing taken y<sup>e</sup> Manados  
& p<sup>ly</sup> in regard of y<sup>e</sup> Comotions of y<sup>e</sup> Nations in Europ  
&c: m<sup>r</sup> flint did pray & preach out of Ezekell 44 13 & y<sup>e</sup>  
Elder prayed once

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The 29 73 An order from y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court was published Appointing a publik day of thanks giving to be kept  
in Consideration of y<sup>e</sup> returne of o<sup>r</sup> prayers this last Summer  
wheras all y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth was likly to be lost in regard  
of y<sup>e</sup> wett & coldnes of y<sup>e</sup> season god sending some warme  
weather for some weeks: As alsoe for o<sup>r</sup> peace notwithstanding  
y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>v</sup>ailing enemy aproaching soe neer o<sup>r</sup> Coasts as  
at New York: y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 20 9 73

The 23 9 73 a letter was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from Deadham  
desiering y<sup>e</sup> Church to sent ther elders & messengers to  
asist in y<sup>e</sup> ordaining of M<sup>r</sup> William Adames to be a pastor to  
ther Church y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 3 desemb 73 The Church  
Chos y<sup>e</sup> Elders & m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & Captin ffoster

The 31 9 73 a letter was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Counsell  
Requiering a publike day of humilliation to be kept in y<sup>e</sup>  
regard of y<sup>e</sup> troubls are like to come on the Contry by reason  
of goeing to warre w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> duch ye day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>  
decem 73

The 15 (1) 74 a letter was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Gen<sup>roll</sup>  
Court who appointed a day of humilliation to be kept on  
y<sup>e</sup> 26 (1) 74 on y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> Churches abroad & troubls at  
home & y<sup>e</sup> outbreakings of gross sins among us & the difference  
in some Sositeties as also in regard of y<sup>e</sup> shortnes of y<sup>e</sup>  
last harvest for Corne & by reason of o<sup>r</sup> setting out of ships  
of warre to defend o<sup>r</sup> Navigation by sea

The 13 7 74 an order from y<sup>e</sup> Counsell was read who  
appointed a publike day of thanksgiveing unto god p<sup>ly</sup>  
for y<sup>e</sup> his blessing on y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth & p<sup>ly</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> Continuance  
of o<sup>r</sup> peace & liberty & for y<sup>e</sup> ceasing of ye warre  
between o<sup>r</sup> nation & Holland y<sup>e</sup> day to be y<sup>e</sup> 24 7 74

(The 19 9 74 The Reverend M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Danforth Pastor  
of Rext-C<sup>th</sup> aged 47 years rested in y<sup>e</sup> Lord.)

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The 14 (1) 74 an order was published from y<sup>e</sup> Counsell  
requiering a publike fast to be kept one y<sup>e</sup> 25 of this  
instant p<sup>ly</sup> for ye people of god in ginerall & p<sup>ly</sup> in regard



of y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>vailing & increase of grose sines amongst us & y<sup>e</sup> languishing state of y<sup>e</sup> Collidge & y<sup>e</sup> Cold backwardnes of y<sup>e</sup> spring & for a blessing one y<sup>e</sup> labor of y<sup>e</sup> husbandman y<sup>e</sup> ensewing yeere

The 27<sup>th</sup> 4 75 ther was noe meeting on y<sup>e</sup> Lords day in o<sup>r</sup> towne m<sup>r</sup> flint being sick

The 29 4 75 ther was a publike day of humiliation (appointed some days before by y<sup>e</sup> Counsell) in regard of y<sup>e</sup> warre w<sup>th</sup> phillip y<sup>e</sup> Sachem against whom y<sup>e</sup> Souldiers weer gon forth y<sup>e</sup> 26 5 75 but there was noe publik meeting that day (in this Town) neither but people went abroad (to other meetings)

The 14<sup>th</sup> 5 75 being one of our lectuer days it was kept as a fast by o<sup>r</sup> towne

The 18<sup>th</sup> 5 75 Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> came before y<sup>e</sup> Church & gave satisfaction for some offence w<sup>ch</sup> he lay under

The 11 5 75 there was a Contribution for M<sup>r</sup> Corlet for his labour in preaching at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Colected 3<sup>h</sup>—18<sup>s</sup>—3<sup>d</sup>

The 5. 7. 75. William Sumner appeared before y<sup>e</sup> Church before the Sacrament to give Satisfaction for offensive speches uttered against y<sup>e</sup> Committee of y<sup>e</sup> Milicia

The 7. 8. 75. ther was a publike fast in y<sup>e</sup> whole Collony

The 29 10 75 being one of our lectuer days it was kept a fast in regard of y<sup>e</sup> warr.

The 13 11 75 ther was a publick fast over all this Collony

The 2 March 76 a publik fast

The 16 2 76 & two Saboth afore Isack Joans was before y<sup>e</sup> Church p<sup>r</sup>secuted by y<sup>e</sup> Elders for some miscarede to M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton

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The 9 3 76 ther was a fast kept at y<sup>e</sup> generall Court by y<sup>e</sup> Court & Elders only

The 29 4<sup>th</sup> 76 ther was a publike day of thanksgiving by y<sup>e</sup> whole Collony

The 24 Sep 76 ther was a Contrebuton for Daniell Elders at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was given in money 1—18—11<sup>d</sup> & in Corne 1—18 0 & dleivered to deacon Blake; the corne was p<sup>r</sup>mised by Severall persons of w<sup>ch</sup> hee took account of them

The 7 10<sup>th</sup> 76 ther was a publike day of humilliation in all y<sup>e</sup> Churches in this Collony p<sup>r</sup>ly in respect of o<sup>r</sup> messengers sent to England Viz M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & M<sup>r</sup> Buckly

The 20 10 76 ther was a fast kept by y<sup>e</sup> whole Church at M<sup>r</sup> flints hous w<sup>th</sup> respect to the messengers sent to England.

The 29 11 76 ther was a Church meeting at M<sup>r</sup> flints hous





to Consider what may be y<sup>e</sup> p'voking sines y<sup>t</sup> may p'voke god against his people & in order to o<sup>r</sup> renewall of o<sup>r</sup> Covenant at w<sup>ch</sup> time it was Judged y<sup>t</sup> we fell short of o<sup>r</sup> former Covenant engagment in waching over one another and in famely instruction & Church dissepline & publique Catechizing therfore it wes Concluded at y<sup>e</sup> same time first y<sup>t</sup> in matters agetated & voted y<sup>t</sup> the major Vote should Isue busineses put to ye Vote

2 Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Children of those y<sup>t</sup> are in full Comunion are members & soe to be looked at

3 for Catechizing it was left to be further considered off by m<sup>r</sup> flint & y<sup>e</sup> rulling Elder & y<sup>e</sup> Select men

4 y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Children of Church members being adult should be watched over & discepline exercized to them as need requier

5 It was Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church (though not in full Comunion) being quallefied as in y<sup>e</sup> fift p'posission of y<sup>e</sup> Senod & taking hold of y<sup>e</sup> Covenant may be baptized to this last y<sup>e</sup> Vote was ginerall all but one man some weer not

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soe cleer in it yet would not make any distubance & soe farre y<sup>t</sup> meeting p'ceeded & appointed another meeting

The 7 12 76 ther was another Church meeting at m<sup>r</sup> flints hous at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was a free discoursing & laying open one to another thos Sines w<sup>ch</sup> weer most p'vokeing to god to come forth against us, that soe ther might an humble & free Confession of them before god when we should Come together to renew o<sup>r</sup> Covenant & in y<sup>e</sup> Close of y<sup>e</sup> day it was concluded that m<sup>r</sup> flint should draw up & p'sent it to y<sup>e</sup> Church at o<sup>r</sup> next meeting for app'baton or adding to or detracting from it

The 18 12 76 being Sacrament day Robt Spur was called forth before y<sup>e</sup> Church to make his acknowlidgment of y<sup>e</sup> offence w<sup>ch</sup> he lay under in giveing entertainment in his hous of loos & vaine p'sons espesally Joseph Belcher his frequent Coming to his daughter Contrary to the admonition of y<sup>e</sup> Court w<sup>ch</sup> was greatly to y<sup>e</sup> offence of y<sup>e</sup> said Belchers neerest relations and divers others

The same day after the evening exerciz ther was an Order read w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> Councell appointing & requiering a publique day of humilliation in this Jurisdiction to be kept upon y<sup>e</sup> first day of March next and becaus it was moe then usually was wont to be I have heer inserted y<sup>e</sup> Coppi of it w<sup>ch</sup> is as followeth



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At a Councell held at Boston the 12 ffeb 1676

As we must hold o<sup>r</sup> selves ever obliged to an humble & harty acknowledgment of y<sup>e</sup> many mercyfull & Marvellous outgoings of god for us, his undeserveing people, inhabetting this wildernes, and more especially of his late Signall appearances on our side against bloody & barbarous men that rose up against us; wherin he hath out acted o<sup>r</sup> faith and Expectation: soe we are noe less in duty bound to reflect w<sup>th</sup> shame & sorrow upon o<sup>r</sup> unbecoming deportments toward y<sup>e</sup> lord and ill requitals of him, after all his kindnesses. the prid, y<sup>e</sup> worldlynes, the sensualletie of many p<sup>r</sup>fessors, the contempt of y<sup>e</sup> gosple, the defection and apostacy of some from y<sup>e</sup> truth to p<sup>r</sup>nicious heresies, the decay of brotherly love, y<sup>e</sup> unthankfulnes for mercys, the deafnes to y<sup>e</sup> rod of divine appointment, the abus of p<sup>r</sup>cious peace & libertie, and the too generall unsubdewednes of y<sup>e</sup> harts of men to the will of god, with such like evels, found among us (beside the gross ignorance & growing p<sup>r</sup>fanes of too many p<sup>r</sup>sons under rich means of knowledg & reformation) doe proclaime aloud our litle profitting & p<sup>r</sup>ficiency under gods hand and breeding, our unfruitfulnes under the varieuse instructing dispensations of god; yea, and sadly testefie to o<sup>r</sup> faces, y<sup>t</sup> we have not been thoroughly melted, and won by mercies, nor kindly affected with, & reformed by y<sup>e</sup> Judgments of y<sup>e</sup> lord: and that, (what ever our vows have been, in y<sup>e</sup> day of o<sup>r</sup> distress, yet,) our old tast in great measure remains in us, & our sent is litle Changed; though we have been emptied from vessell to vessell, and changes & warr have ben against us. we well may we fear another storme of wrath, and that y<sup>e</sup> Just & holy god will punesh us seaven times for our many & greivous p<sup>r</sup>vokations: unles we p<sup>r</sup>pare our selves to meet our god with humiliation, supplication, & reformation; and timously make o<sup>r</sup> peace w<sup>th</sup> him through y<sup>e</sup> blood of o<sup>r</sup> lord Jesus Christ. Moreover, as we have had experience of y<sup>e</sup> Lords heering o<sup>r</sup> prayers, & being a p<sup>r</sup>sent, ready help to us (though most unworthy) in all our troubles: Soe it cannot be denyed o<sup>r</sup> doubted, but that we have as much need of his help & grace now as ever, and that it is o<sup>r</sup> wisdom & duty at this day, to set o<sup>r</sup> selves to seek y<sup>e</sup> lord, and to become humble petitioners at y<sup>e</sup> throwne of grace to



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the father of mercys, that he would graciously pleas to pardon & purge away our sins, and avert the judgments we have deserved, for his names sake; that he would Continue peace & truth with all the preciouſe & pleasant things of Jerusalem unto us, and give us one hart & way to feare him for the good of o<sup>r</sup> selves & Children after us; that he would Vouchsafe his gracious presence with his servants that are entrusted with the management of publick affaires, and p'ticularly, with thos worthy p'sons, our messengers, in their Negotiations, that they may find favor with the kings Majestie, and prosper in that important undertakeing: that he would infattuate y<sup>e</sup> Counsels, defeate y<sup>e</sup> designes, and Restraine the remainder of y<sup>e</sup> Cursed & cruell wrath of ye heathen, that are yet in hostilley with us; that hee would goe along with our forces in the present expedition; that he would build the wast places, Repaire the breaches made upon us, and settle a suer & lasting peace in o<sup>r</sup> borders; that he would smile upon the labours of his servants, bless y<sup>e</sup> springing & fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth, and Crowne the yere with his goodnes; that he would Cause Zebulon to rejoyce in his going out, & Isachar in his tents; that he would be a wale of fier about us, & y<sup>e</sup> glory in y<sup>e</sup> midst of us, that he would save & bless his Churches abroad, support & enlarge the intrest of Christ in the world

It is therefore ordered by y<sup>e</sup> Governour & Councell of this Jurisdiction that thursday; the first day of March next ensuing, be set apart for a day of humilliation, fasting & prayer, throughout this Collony: and all p'sons in ther severall Capaccities are requiered to forbear y<sup>e</sup> works of their ordinary Callings, & apply themselves to y<sup>e</sup> Relidgiouse & Sollemn observation of that day, that it may be indeed a day of Attonement, & not of new & further provokation

By y<sup>e</sup> Councell Ed Rawson Secretary

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The 25 12 76 y<sup>e</sup> Church had another meeting at m<sup>r</sup> flints hous wher & at which time, that w<sup>ch</sup> m<sup>r</sup> flint had drawn up for y<sup>e</sup> Church to engage in it was read y<sup>e</sup> Substance of which was a sevenfold instance from y<sup>e</sup> Scriptuer of renewall of Covenant, & after a repetition of y<sup>e</sup> Churches first Covenant, & then some further engagements aded two larg heer to ensert, but it may be in due time upon this ther was some debate & ajetation & at last voted in y<sup>e</sup> affermative by y<sup>e</sup> Major p<sup>t</sup> though some was not

(But it may be  
in y<sup>e</sup> beginning of  
this book placed  
before the first  
Covenant)





soe Cleer as to the extent of baptisme, at this time it was Concluded this engagment should be read publikly y<sup>e</sup> next Saboth unto all y<sup>e</sup> Congregation & in y<sup>e</sup> meane time a Catta-log of ye nams of all y<sup>e</sup> Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church above y<sup>e</sup> age of Sixteen yeers should be gathered up y<sup>t</sup> they may be called uppon to give their p'ticular Consent to Submitt to y<sup>e</sup> Government of Christ in & by his Church

The 4<sup>th</sup> of March 7<sup>6</sup> being Saboth day y<sup>e</sup> Engagment or Covenant was publikly read & the next day being monday y<sup>e</sup> 5 March they weer appointed to Come together both y<sup>e</sup> Church & y<sup>e</sup> Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church

At which time after y<sup>e</sup> Casse was Commended to god by prayer, m<sup>r</sup> flint gave a serious exortation unto y<sup>e</sup> seed of y<sup>e</sup> Church laid downe in fower or five p'ticuler Considerations not heer inserted (but in y<sup>e</sup> beging of y<sup>e</sup> book)

Then y<sup>e</sup> Elder made a short spech to y<sup>e</sup> Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church that they should take notice y<sup>t</sup> they weer not (by this ther assenting to what should be p'posed to them) to be admitted to y<sup>e</sup> Lords table, nor Voteing in y<sup>e</sup> Church but to declare ther willingnes & subjection to y<sup>e</sup> goverment & discipline of Christ in & by his Church

The names of thos y<sup>t</sup> did y<sup>e</sup> same day p'sonally give their assent

Timothy Mather  
Thomas Bird  
James Bird  
Tho: Andrews

John Breck  
Nathanell Glover  
Samuell Hill  
Johnathan Hill

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Tho Trott Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
Samuell Sumner  
John Garnesy  
Rich Evens  
Mathias Evens  
John Merifeild  
Ebenez: Withington  
John Spur  
Nathaniell Wiet  
Consider Atherton  
John Beaman  
Hopedill Humphry  
Isack Humphry  
Jacob Hewens Jun<sup>r</sup>  
John Blake

Hanah Joanes  
Mary Weeks  
Renew Weeks  
Thankfull Baker  
Elizabeth Baker  
Mary Wales  
Elizabeth Hale  
Waite Smith  
Hanah Davenport  
Hanah Withington  
Mary Hewen  
Mary Lyon  
Susan Lyon  
Mary pelton  
Content Wales



Jn<sup>o</sup> Blackman  
 James Blake  
 Nehemiah Clap  
 Elisha ffoster  
 Comfort ffoster  
 Richard Mather  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Trescot  
 James Baker  
 preserved Capen  
 Samuell Hale  
 Richard Hale  
 Charles Davenport  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Smith J<sup>r</sup>  
 Ebenezer Hill  
 George Minot  
 Samuell Sumner Jun<sup>r</sup>

Mary Lawrance  
 patience Lawrance  
 Mary Beaman  
 Judeth pond  
 deliverance Smith  
 patience Trescot  
 Martha Trescot  
 Mary Chaplin  
 Mahittabell Hill  
 Sarah Leadbetter  
 Martha Minot

of Melton

Thomas Holman  
 Ephraim Newton  
 Thomas Swift Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Samuell Blake  
 Nathaniell Blake

Tho Holmans wife  
 Waitstill Vose  
 Mary Blake  
 Ja : Tuckers wif  
 Teags wif

divers others weer at y<sup>e</sup> same time Called but desiered  
 time to Consider of it y<sup>e</sup> same time a fast was  
 appointed in order heerunto to be kept the 21  
 of march being o<sup>r</sup> lectuer day

15 (1) 7<sup>th</sup>  
 El<sup>l</sup> Belleng & wife  
 Johana Belleng  
 Roger Belleng  
 patience Atherton  
 Joseph Capen  
 Samuell farnworth  
 Nathaniell Wales  
 look for more in or  
 at y<sup>e</sup> year 1682

The 11<sup>th</sup> of March 7<sup>th</sup> Consented  
 Ebenezer : Williams  
 John Mason  
 Samuell Trescot  
 Nathaniell Lyon  
 John Weeks  
 John Brown

John Wales Sen<sup>r</sup>  
 Samuell Rigby  
 John pelton Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Sarah Beaman

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The 18 (1) 7<sup>th</sup> Consented  
 Ebenezer Bilenge & his wife  
 Johnathan & } bellenge  
 Roger }  
 Joseph Capen  
 Samuell farnworth  
 Nathaniell Wales  
 patience Atherton



The same day ther was a Contribution for M<sup>r</sup> Hubbard w<sup>ch</sup> Came from Black-point by y<sup>e</sup> distresse of y<sup>e</sup> Indians

The 25 March 77 Consented

John Minot

Ap 1: 77 James Minot Jun<sup>r</sup>

Ap 8 77 Theophelus poole

The 8 Aprill 77 ther was appointed a day of Humilliation to be kept on our next lectuer day for y<sup>e</sup> Consummating of o<sup>r</sup> renewing y<sup>e</sup> Covenant being the 18 Aprill 77 but some of the breatheren weer not soe Cleer as to y<sup>e</sup> extent of baptisme

The 18 Aprill 77 y<sup>e</sup> sollemn day of fast was observed & after y<sup>e</sup> morning exersiz y<sup>e</sup> Covenant was againe publickly read & the Vote put forth or Called for & the Vote was in the affermative noe man speaking against it. only Bro<sup>r</sup> William Sumner went out of y<sup>e</sup> meeting when it was goeing to be read & Came not againe in y<sup>e</sup> afternoone

M<sup>r</sup> flint preached y<sup>e</sup> former p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day from 15 John 5 with out me y<sup>e</sup> can doe nothing

& M<sup>r</sup> Tory in y<sup>e</sup> after noone from Jer 3 22 behold we com unto thee for thou art y<sup>e</sup> lord o<sup>r</sup> God

The 22 2 1677 Consented

James Minot y<sup>e</sup> Scholmaster & Samuell pelton

The 1 5 77 was notice given of a publique day of humilliation to be kept y<sup>e</sup> 5 day Instant July.

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The 5 6 77 Samuell Rigby being related to y<sup>e</sup> Church was called forth to answer for his sin of Cursing & excessive drinking & neglect of attendance one y<sup>e</sup> publik ordinances for w<sup>ch</sup> (he not giveing Satisfaction to y<sup>e</sup> Church) was y<sup>e</sup> same time laid under the sentance of admonition

The 2 7 77 ther was a Contribution for y<sup>e</sup> meeting hous at Rehoboth at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was given 3 10-8 also a contribution for deacon Cooper at y<sup>e</sup> same place at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was given for him 5 5 9 besids Thomas bird in shows 3<sup>s</sup> & John withington 1<sup>s</sup> in a note & William pond in Corne 1<sup>s</sup>-6<sup>d</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> afterward he brought 1<sup>s</sup> in money & Tho Modesty in shows 2<sup>s</sup>

The 29 8 77 y<sup>e</sup> Church appointed to keep a fast on y<sup>e</sup> 31 8 77 being o<sup>r</sup> lectuer day on y<sup>e</sup> behalf of o<sup>r</sup> Messengers in England & for a good Essew of that affaire w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> king & for Converting grace one y<sup>e</sup> Rising generation





The 15 No 77 ther was a publick day of thanksgiving in this jurisdiction p<sup>ly</sup> for that peace w<sup>ch</sup> we doe enjoy after soe much trouble & warr & p<sup>ly</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> lords blessing us w<sup>th</sup> a plentious harvest & p<sup>ly</sup> for good Success y<sup>t</sup> we hav by y<sup>e</sup> blessing of god on o<sup>r</sup> messengers y<sup>t</sup> was sent to England

The same day was read a letter from y<sup>e</sup> therd Church in Boston desiering this Church to send ther Elders & messengers to a Councell Concerning M<sup>r</sup> Willard whether they may call him to office being not dismissed from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Groaton, but y<sup>e</sup> Church scattered abroad by reason of y<sup>e</sup> warrs. The Church appointed y<sup>e</sup> Elders and Deacon Capen & William Sumner

The 25 9 77 y<sup>e</sup> result of y<sup>e</sup> Councill was published y<sup>e</sup> Substance of it was y<sup>t</sup> the Councell did Judg from y<sup>e</sup> word of god y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Willard was at libertie to Joyne

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in memberly fellowship with & unto y<sup>e</sup> therd Church in Boston y<sup>e</sup> arguments from y<sup>e</sup> Scriptuer weer 7 or eight not heer inserted & heer unto all y<sup>e</sup> Councell of eight Churches consented & Subscribed except one man

The same day John Merrifeild (though not in full Com<sup>u</sup>nion) was called forth before y<sup>e</sup> Church to answer for his sine of drunknes and also for Contempt & slighting y<sup>e</sup> power of Christ in his Church in not appearing formerly though often called upon & sent unto: but he made some excus for his drunknes in y<sup>t</sup> being not well at Boston hee took a little strong water & comeing out in y<sup>e</sup> ayre did distemp him & for y<sup>e</sup> other offence he did acknowledg his fault therin

The first Saboth in January 1677 we began to Contribut weekly for y<sup>e</sup> maintenance of y<sup>e</sup> minestry according to y<sup>e</sup> Vote of y<sup>e</sup> towne y<sup>e</sup> 27 10 77

The 27 11 77 ther was an order from y<sup>e</sup> Councell read wherin they had appointed a day of humilliation to be observed y<sup>e</sup> 21 ffeb next p<sup>ly</sup> in y<sup>e</sup> regard of y<sup>e</sup> enemies endeavors against us not yet fully quieted & p<sup>ly</sup> y<sup>e</sup> hand of god gon out against us in removing by death many of his p<sup>re</sup>cious servants as of late M<sup>r</sup> Shepard of Charlstowne who dyed in y<sup>e</sup> small pox & p<sup>ly</sup> by reason of y<sup>e</sup> distemper p<sup>re</sup>vailing soe much in that town as also in Boston & also in regard of our messengers w<sup>ch</sup> are negotiating o<sup>r</sup> affaires yet in England

The 31 of (1) 78 a letter was read coming from the third Church in Boston desiering y<sup>e</sup> Church to send ther Elders



& messengers to y<sup>e</sup> ordaining of M<sup>r</sup> Willard to office in ther Church on y<sup>e</sup> 10 of Aprill & besides y<sup>e</sup> Elders ther was appointed & Voted Capt Clap & Deacon Capen

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The 24 2 78 ther was a Church gathered by some of o<sup>r</sup> breatheren y<sup>e</sup> live at Milton it was done in o<sup>r</sup> meeting hous at dorchester becaus of some opposission y<sup>e</sup> did appeare; y<sup>e</sup> Churches w<sup>ch</sup> they sent unto weer the Elders & messengers of y<sup>e</sup> three Churches in Boston & waymoth Brantree & deadham y<sup>e</sup> Majestrats weer acquainted with it but only y<sup>e</sup> governor was heer by reason of y<sup>e</sup> wett & Snow season. M<sup>r</sup> Allen did first pray & then M<sup>r</sup> Flint did preach from y<sup>e</sup> & then prayed, afterward y<sup>e</sup> breatheren weer Called on one after another to declare y<sup>e</sup> work of grace y<sup>e</sup> god had wrought on them to y<sup>e</sup> number of seaven, but before they began it was put to the whole assembly both messengers & others whether any had any Just reason against their p<sup>r</sup>ceeding but all weer silent after they had made their relations a confession of faith was read by o<sup>r</sup> Elder unto w<sup>ch</sup> they all Consented by lifting up of hands, then thos seaven breatheren weer Called downe into y<sup>e</sup> body of y<sup>e</sup> assembly and a Covenant was read unto them unto which they all Consented by lifting up of hands. y<sup>e</sup> breatheren y<sup>e</sup> entered into this Covenant & made publike relation weer thes:

	Robt Tucker member of waymoth	
	Anthony Newton	} Members of Dorchester Church
	William Blake	
	Thomas Swift	
	Georg Sumner	
member of y <sup>e</sup> 2 Church in Boston	Edward Blake	
	Ebenezer Clap	

After this was done ther weer more of o<sup>r</sup> Breatheren y<sup>e</sup> did at y<sup>e</sup> same time enter into y<sup>e</sup> same Covenant with y<sup>e</sup> former namly

Thomas Holman	} Tucker
George Lyon	
Ephram	
Manasses &	
James	

And then M<sup>r</sup> Tory was appointed to give y<sup>e</sup> right hand of ffellowship & M<sup>r</sup> Mather prayed & a psalme sung & y<sup>e</sup> assembly dismissed



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The 24 3 78 being y<sup>e</sup> sixt day of y<sup>e</sup> week ther was a Church meeting at which time it was Voted by y<sup>e</sup> major part & a petition drawn before hand & read at that time w<sup>ch</sup> should be p<sup>s</sup>ented to y<sup>e</sup> Court against ordinarys y<sup>t</sup> have not a sufficient gard over them to keepe good order and some other matters then discussed

The 26 3 ; 8 was read an order from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court requiering a publique day of humilliation to be kept on thursday the 6 of June some of y<sup>e</sup> grounds of it was gods hand goeing out against us in taking away such & soe many emenent men in Church & Co<sup>m</sup>onweale & y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>velancy of y<sup>e</sup> Smale pox both in Boston & Charlestowne to y<sup>e</sup> cutting off of many by death alsoe in regard of y<sup>e</sup> abounding of sine & wickednes amongst us & for o<sup>r</sup> Agents in England that they may have good Success & a saff returne, & other matters

The 6 of June on y<sup>e</sup> day above said ther was a letter read y<sup>t</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup> & majestrats wherin they did recom<sup>m</sup>end to y<sup>e</sup> Churches in this Jurisdiction that ther might be a Contrybution for y<sup>e</sup> releif of y<sup>e</sup> Captives w<sup>ch</sup> weer taken from hatfeild they being brought soe farre as y<sup>e</sup> fort Albana at w<sup>ch</sup> time after y<sup>e</sup> evening exersiz ther was a Contribution of eight pound five Shillings two pence in money for y<sup>e</sup> end aforesaid

The 7<sup>th</sup> August 78 ther was a fast kept by o<sup>r</sup> Church being wednesday o<sup>r</sup> lectuer day y<sup>e</sup> same day ther was a Contribution for M<sup>r</sup> Emerson of Concord being low in his Estate at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Colected 5<sup>li</sup> - 14<sup>s</sup> - 2 y<sup>e</sup> same day ther was a fast at brantree & y<sup>e</sup> next day at boston the first Church

The same time o<sup>r</sup> weekly lectuer was Changed that it should not be in y<sup>e</sup> same week y<sup>t</sup> Rocksbery lecturer is kept but contrary & soe to continue monthly

The 17 No 78 (being y<sup>e</sup> first day of o<sup>r</sup> meeting in y<sup>e</sup> New meeting hous) a letter was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Church at hingham desiering y<sup>e</sup> church to send their Elders & messengers to y<sup>e</sup> ordination of M<sup>r</sup> Norton to be a teaching officer unto them on y<sup>e</sup> 27 No 78 at which

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time ye church appointed Deacon Capen & Deacon Blake to Joyne w<sup>th</sup> o<sup>r</sup> Elders for y<sup>t</sup> service

The same time y<sup>e</sup> Court order was read who had ordered a





publick fast in y<sup>e</sup> whole Jurisdiction to Joyne w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> other Collonies on y<sup>e</sup> same day being recommend to y<sup>e</sup> Court by y<sup>e</sup> Comissioners of y<sup>e</sup> Collonies y<sup>e</sup> day to be on thursday y<sup>e</sup> 21 No 78

The first of December 1678 m<sup>r</sup> flint p<sup>o</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church for a day of thanksgiving to be kept by y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>e</sup> grounds of it weer an ingagment that was made to god if he should heer prayers & restore Captin Clap to helth againe being sick about a yeer & half agoe also in regard of M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton w<sup>th</sup> all though he be not yet returned yet y<sup>e</sup> god have p<sup>o</sup>served his p<sup>o</sup>son & soe fare blessed their endeavors for y<sup>e</sup> publick also becaus god have soe much p<sup>o</sup>served o<sup>r</sup> town from & under that contagious distemp of y<sup>e</sup> small pox when he have soe sadly visseted other places as Charlston boston & other places, as also for y<sup>e</sup> pease we injoy in this town notwithstanding y<sup>e</sup> great fears of a disquietment in regard of some publik transactions about o<sup>r</sup> meeting hous & other mercys the day mentioned was on our next lectuer day being the 18 Decemb: to this motion y<sup>e</sup> Church agreed

The 12 of y<sup>e</sup> 11 M<sup>o</sup> 78 It was p<sup>o</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church whether ther should be a Church meeting appointed for to Call forth some of y<sup>e</sup> members of y<sup>e</sup> Church not yet in full Comunion to give an acc<sup>t</sup> or answer for their obstinancy in refusing to Come before y<sup>e</sup> Elders & some ancient breatheren (whom y<sup>e</sup> Church had formerly apointed to Joyne with y<sup>e</sup> Elders in privat) but they standing off & giving ille langwedg & behavior y<sup>e</sup> Church

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Closed with y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>o</sup>posission and appointed wednesday y<sup>e</sup> 22 Instant at one a Clock to Come to gether & in y<sup>e</sup> meane time thos ancient breatheren or tithing men should warne such p<sup>o</sup>sons as y<sup>e</sup> Elders should appoint

one y<sup>e</sup> day fore mentioned y<sup>e</sup> Church mett & Robt Spur Sen<sup>r</sup> was called forth to give satisfaction for his withdrawing & not p<sup>o</sup>takeing in y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament upon some p<sup>o</sup>judice he had taken against o<sup>r</sup> pastor but could not mak it out but a misaprehension of him but he did not com up to Satisfaction: also John Spur was then called forth to give Satisfaction for his contemptuous caredg & refusing to give an acc<sup>t</sup> of his knowlidg unto y<sup>e</sup> Elders & thos breatheren in privat: also Nathaniell Wiett for not coming to y<sup>e</sup> Elders but refusing as Spur had done: but now gave satisfaction & ther for at y<sup>e</sup> motion of some breatheren the matter was respitted till another meeting about a month after



Also Samuell Rigby was y<sup>e</sup> same time called forth to give Satisfaction for his former offence for w<sup>ch</sup> he had been formerly admonished by y<sup>e</sup> Church but came not up to Satisfaction: others ther weer y<sup>e</sup> should have been called forth as Joshua Georg Daniell Ellen, Nathaniell Mather & others but y<sup>e</sup> time & season of Cold would not p'mitt

The 19 12 78 y<sup>e</sup> Church mett againe & Samuell Rigbe was called forth againe & he gave soe much satisfaction y<sup>e</sup> his sensuer of admonition was ordered to be resp'tted for a while & on his good demeanor if it did appear for some time then y<sup>e</sup> sensuer to be taken off y<sup>e</sup> same time Robt Spur Sen<sup>r</sup> was called on to give satisfaction but he came not up to full Satisfaction therfore it was voted that he should be admonished Also Nathanell Wiatt John Spur Daniell Ellen and Joshua Georg for their contempt off & neglecting & refusing to com to give an acc<sup>t</sup> of their knowlidg to y<sup>e</sup> Elders or Church was therfore Votted to be excommunicated

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The same day Nathanell Mather was Called forth to give Satisfaction for his slighting & negligence in Coming up to y<sup>e</sup> Order of y<sup>e</sup> Church at which time he did give some account publicly of his knowlidg out of a Catechisme but falling short of what he should have attained unto, & he p'missing to doe his best to attaine more, he was dismissed & was appointed to Come to y<sup>e</sup> Elders againe about a fortnight after

The 25 12 78 ther was a Church meeting at w<sup>ch</sup> time y<sup>e</sup> Churches Engagment by way of renewall of Covenant was read over to consider wherin y<sup>e</sup> Church fell short of y<sup>e</sup> p'ticulers therein exprest alsoe at that time it was Concluded y<sup>e</sup> ther should be a day of humilliation kept on o<sup>r</sup> next lecturer day w<sup>ch</sup> is y<sup>e</sup> 12 March next to humble o<sup>r</sup> souls before god in respect of our Covenant Engagment & also for y<sup>e</sup> p'sence & blessing of god on the Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church as also for y<sup>e</sup> appeasing of his anger manifested in y<sup>e</sup> Contagious distemp of y<sup>e</sup> Small pox of w<sup>ch</sup> soe many are dead & more vissited

The 3 (1) 79 ther was a Church meeting at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was enquiry what may be thought to be the sins of this time for w<sup>ch</sup> gods anger was gon forth against his people heer in thes p<sup>ts</sup> to w<sup>ch</sup> after long silence some spake one thing & another another thing &c and at y<sup>e</sup> same time the Church was Call<sup>d</sup> on by o<sup>r</sup> rulling Elder to Consider how m<sup>ch</sup>



Thecher should be satisfied for his labor in supplying m<sup>r</sup> flints work for one month which he p<sup>r</sup>cu<sup>r</sup>ed in his place whill he went to Quenectecot alsoe m<sup>r</sup> flint then p<sup>r</sup>pounded that y<sup>e</sup> Church should looke out to p<sup>r</sup>vid one in his rome if any on in his famely should be visseted with y<sup>e</sup> pox as also to supply his place when he should take a Journey to Rehoboth & that an other teaching officer might be thought on to help him & other discourses at that time not Convenient heer to be inserted

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one the day before Viz y<sup>e</sup> 2 (1) 7<sup>3</sup> being Saboth day after y<sup>e</sup> evening exercis it was p<sup>r</sup>pounded to y<sup>e</sup> Church by y<sup>e</sup> Elder whether Robt Spur his admonition may not be Suspended a while & he have liberty once more to speak to y<sup>e</sup> Church by way of ackknowldgment of his sin y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> was granted by y<sup>e</sup> Church

The 9 (1) 7<sup>3</sup> Robt Spur Sen<sup>r</sup> was called forth to acknowldg his offenc but came not up to satisfaction

The 30 (1) 7<sup>3</sup> Robt Spur had y<sup>e</sup> sentence of Admonishion administred to him

The 3 3 79 after y<sup>e</sup> evening exerciz y<sup>e</sup> Church was stayed & did discours about Abigall y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Henery Merri-feld what should be done towards her for her sin of fornecation It had been Voted the Saboth before by y<sup>e</sup> Major Vote of y<sup>e</sup> Church (that for that sin & for her refusing to come before the Church) that she should be excommunicated. but becaus y<sup>e</sup> whole Church did not Vote it was Considered what was to be done because some thought that excommunication did not belong to such in her Cappassetie therefore it was p<sup>r</sup>posed whether y<sup>e</sup> whole Church could agree according to that in Matthew that she should be rejected & to be as an heathen &c the Vote was in y<sup>e</sup> affirmative

The same time report was made Concerning Samuell Rigbe who was sent unto by y<sup>e</sup> Church to come before them to answer for his late sin of drunknes & quarelling but his answer was y<sup>e</sup> he would be gon & not come againe in a 12 month

The Sabothday before Elizabeth Weeks was mentioned to y<sup>e</sup> Church whether she should not be Cast out for her sin of fornecation before marridg: y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion was that if any of her relations would send to her to see if she would come before y<sup>e</sup> Church in p<sup>r</sup>son & manifest her repentance the sentence should be respitted a while

The 23 3 79 ther was a Church meeting uppon occasion of





M<sup>r</sup> flint his desier of help in y<sup>e</sup> ministry either by another teaching officer

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or by some other Supply, at w<sup>ch</sup> Conferrance y<sup>e</sup> Church did not think they weer in a Capacettie of mainteining another officer but it was p<sup>p</sup>osed by y<sup>e</sup> Elder whether y<sup>e</sup> Congregation should not agment M<sup>r</sup> flints wages to one hundred pounds Sixty pounds in money & 40 pounds in Contry pay & then he to p<sup>ro</sup>vid such help as he saw meet & satisfie such as did help him out of y<sup>e</sup> 100 pound. The Church then p<sup>re</sup>sented did not seeme to Close with y<sup>t</sup> p<sup>ro</sup>posission but p<sup>ro</sup>pounded 50 pounds money & 50 pounds Contry pay w<sup>ch</sup> did seem to be y<sup>e</sup> major Vote of those y<sup>t</sup> did Vote. others y<sup>t</sup> Voted neither way p<sup>ro</sup>pounded y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church and towne together should adjetate y<sup>e</sup> matter w<sup>ch</sup> did occasion the deferring y<sup>e</sup> matter till y<sup>e</sup> next Second day being a training day for to discours y<sup>e</sup> matter. At w<sup>ch</sup> time it was discursed y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> James minot should be spoken unto to see whether he would help once in a fortnight & a Comitteee chosen

The Comitteee appointed as a bove said was y<sup>e</sup> Elder & two Deacons & John Breck

The same time M<sup>r</sup> flint p<sup>ro</sup>posed whether we should not keepe o<sup>r</sup> next lectuer day which will be y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of may as a fast in regard of y<sup>e</sup> state of y<sup>e</sup> people of god in old England & y<sup>e</sup> nations adjacent w<sup>ch</sup> seemes to be very sad & in respect of our selves y<sup>e</sup> face of things looking sad in regard of y<sup>e</sup> loss of soe many emenent p<sup>er</sup>sons both in y<sup>e</sup> Majestracy & ministry & in towns & also in respect of o<sup>r</sup> agents abroad; y<sup>e</sup> vote of y<sup>e</sup> Church was affermative

The 30 4 79 an order was published from y<sup>e</sup> generall Court who appointed a publik day of humiliation to be kept p<sup>ri</sup>ly in regard of y<sup>e</sup> sad face of things one y<sup>e</sup> Churches & people of god both abroad & at home & in respect of o<sup>r</sup> afaiers in England & alsoe in respect of y<sup>e</sup> intended Sinod to be kept in September next y<sup>e</sup> day is y<sup>e</sup> 10 5 79

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The 6 of y<sup>e</sup> 5 M<sup>o</sup> 79 the Church Called for Joshua Georg Daniell Ellen Jn<sup>o</sup> Spur & Nathanell Wiet & abigall Merri-feld haveing sent to them before by messengers to warne them to appeare, but only Nathanell Wiet & Jn<sup>o</sup> Spur did appear who did not manifest any repentance for ther former miscarridg but carryed it very dissatisfactorily before y<sup>e</sup>



Church : who weer all excommunicated from y<sup>e</sup> Church that day all of them & Abigall Merrifeild for her sin of fornication & Contempt of y<sup>e</sup> Church was Cast out also y<sup>e</sup> same day

The 10 6 79 ther was a Contrybution to put into y<sup>e</sup> deacons hands for y<sup>e</sup> releif of y<sup>e</sup> poor espesally with respect to bro<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Turner at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was given in money 3<sup>li</sup> 6<sup>s</sup> 5<sup>d</sup> besids some notes for Corne as is in my book set down y<sup>e</sup> p'ticulers

The same day y<sup>e</sup> Elders weer voated for to be sent to meet in y<sup>e</sup> Senod w<sup>ch</sup> is to Convene next September but noe messengers Concluded to be sent but left to Consideration till y<sup>e</sup> next Saboth

The 17 6 : 79 y<sup>e</sup> Church made Choice of William Sumner & Richard Baker to be messengers to y<sup>e</sup> Senod w<sup>ch</sup> is to begin y<sup>e</sup> second wednesday in Sept<sup>r</sup> being y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> month & ye deacons weer desiered to take Care for their entertainment at Boston on y<sup>e</sup> Church acc<sup>t</sup>

The 5 8 79 y<sup>e</sup> Church Concluded by Voate y<sup>t</sup> o<sup>r</sup> next lecturer day (being y<sup>e</sup> 22 Instant) should be turned into a day of thanksgivinge to god for heering of prayers & abateing y<sup>e</sup> distemp of y<sup>e</sup> pox

The same day it was Voted y<sup>t</sup> Samuell Rigby should be Cast out of y<sup>e</sup> Church for his former miscaredges & he at this time did not appear before y<sup>e</sup> Church though appointed soe to doe

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The 28 8 79 Samuell Blake y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of William Blake now of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Melton was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church to make Confession of his sin of fornication before marredg at w<sup>ch</sup> time he did owne the fact & made some kind of acknowledgment but his voice was soe low y<sup>t</sup> scarce any herd y<sup>t</sup> litle w<sup>ch</sup> he spake except a few w<sup>ch</sup> stood Clos by him

The 2 9 79 Samuell Rigbee was excommunicated for thos sins for w<sup>ch</sup> he was formerly admoneshed & for Contempt in not appearing before y<sup>e</sup> Church being called therunto :

The 7 9 79 ther was a Church meeting for to read y<sup>e</sup> platforme of Church dissepline to see how farre y<sup>e</sup> Church did agree with it in their practice at which time ther weer 8 or nine Chapters read over & y<sup>e</sup> rest left till another time

Mē y<sup>e</sup> 6 of January 1679 Henery Leadbetter Executor to y<sup>e</sup> Estate of Tho Lake delivered two silver Cups or small beakers w<sup>ch</sup> was given by Tho Lake unto ye Church :

Also M<sup>rs</sup> Thecher of Boston gave y<sup>e</sup> Church formerly a Silver Cup with two ears



Also y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Clements of Boston gave another silver cup to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>e</sup> 17 Novem 1678

The 11 11 79 ther was an order read from y<sup>e</sup> Counsell requiring a publike day off thanksgiving to be kept the 22 Instant for y<sup>e</sup> returne of o<sup>r</sup> agents from England after they have been absent three yers & aboutt two months

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The 15 12 79 Robt Spur was Called before y<sup>e</sup> Church to heer what efect y<sup>e</sup> ordinance of admonition had taken on Him but some weer not satisfied at that time therfore it was respitted till that day fortnight

The last of ffebruary 79 Robt Spur was Called before y<sup>e</sup> Church & hee did by wrighting declare what he had to say & y<sup>e</sup> Church by a silent Vote did manifest ther satisfaction soe as to have y<sup>e</sup> sentence removed

The 21 March 80 Robt Spur was taken into y<sup>e</sup> Church again his sentence of Admonission taken off

The 15 Aprill 80 was a generall fast

The 25 Aprill Hanah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Isack Joanes was dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> third Church in Boston being not in full Communion

The 15 September 80 ther was a fast kept in regard of M<sup>r</sup> flint & he dyed y<sup>e</sup> night following about 10 of y<sup>e</sup> Clock & buried y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day

The 25 of November 80 wee kept a publick day of thanksgiving being ordered soe to doe by the generall Court for y<sup>e</sup> Continuance of o<sup>r</sup> Liberties & p<sup>r</sup>veledges both Sacred & Sivell for y<sup>e</sup> plentie of y<sup>e</sup> fruits of y<sup>e</sup> Earth this yeer & for removeing of Contagious sickneses & diseases y<sup>e</sup> day was carryed one by M<sup>r</sup> Minot & M<sup>r</sup> Capen

The same Court also ordered a publick day of humilliation to be kept on y<sup>e</sup> 16 decem 80

The 27 12 80 ther was a Contribution for Goody Leichfeld and Mitchell of Malden at w<sup>ch</sup> tim ther was Colected & y<sup>e</sup> next day sent in to y<sup>e</sup> Sume of 11 17—9 of w<sup>ch</sup> about 7 pound in p<sup>t</sup>iculer for leichfeld & y<sup>e</sup> rest to be devided

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The 2 (1) 81 was a day of humiliation kept by y<sup>e</sup> Church & town to seek to god for direction in looking out for a minester for o<sup>r</sup> Church y<sup>e</sup> day was carryed on by M<sup>r</sup> Tory & M<sup>r</sup> Adams





The 20 (1) 80 after y<sup>e</sup> evening exercis y<sup>e</sup> Church was stayed to Consider of a man to be on tryall for y<sup>e</sup> work of y<sup>e</sup> mines-try & it was Voted y<sup>t</sup> each man should bring in his Vote in wrighting & thos two y<sup>t</sup> had y<sup>e</sup> most Votes should be put to Vote againe y<sup>e</sup> next Saboth and y<sup>e</sup> Votes being brought in M<sup>r</sup> John danforth of Rocksbery had 40 & M<sup>r</sup> Cushen of Hingham had 13 Votes

The 27 (1) 81 Votes wer Called for againe for on of y<sup>e</sup> two w<sup>ch</sup> had most Votes y<sup>e</sup> last Saboth & ther weer 37 Votes for M<sup>r</sup> Danforth & 22 Votes for M<sup>r</sup> Cushen: at the same time John Breck who was not in full Com<sup>u</sup>nion intruded himself in & put in a Vote though not in full Com<sup>u</sup>nion; w<sup>ch</sup> was very offensive to y<sup>e</sup> Church but his Vote was taken out & he commanded by M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton to goe out of y<sup>e</sup> meeting hous when y<sup>e</sup> Church had been tryed by a Vote to know whether they did approve of his acting w<sup>ch</sup> being declared in y<sup>e</sup> Negative then y<sup>e</sup> Contrary Vote was called for but none held up ther hand but only Henery Leadbetter who thought y<sup>t</sup> such as had Submitted to y<sup>e</sup> goverment of Christ in y<sup>e</sup> Church & had owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant should have libertie to Vote in such a Case; but it was declared to y<sup>e</sup> Contrary

The same time y<sup>e</sup> Church appointed a Com<sup>u</sup>tee Viz M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton y<sup>e</sup> Elder & deakons, William Sumne Rich Baker Rich Withington and Capt Clap: to invite M<sup>r</sup> Danforth to come & preach more constantly with us upon tryall

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The 3 2 81 y<sup>e</sup> Elder declared to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> he had spoken w<sup>th</sup> John Breck about his putting in a voat y<sup>e</sup> last day to y<sup>e</sup> offence of many, & y<sup>t</sup> he had given him satisfaction & was sorry y<sup>t</sup> he had acted soe as he did in y<sup>t</sup> maner & y<sup>t</sup> if any elce weer unsatisfied if they would speake to him hee hoped hee should satisfie them

The 10 2 81 an order was read from y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court requiering a publique fast in respect of sad face of things Concerning y<sup>e</sup> Church of god abroad in other p<sup>ts</sup> & in England & amongst o<sup>r</sup>selves & y<sup>e</sup> hand of god gon out against us this last yeer in respect of y<sup>e</sup> great flood at Quenectecot & y<sup>e</sup> blast spoilling much of y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth & in respect of o<sup>r</sup> agents y<sup>t</sup> are to goe for England y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 21 Instant & in regard of y<sup>e</sup> great losses at sea & y<sup>e</sup> sudden deaths of many: M<sup>r</sup> Capen & M<sup>r</sup> Danforth preached y<sup>t</sup> day & M<sup>r</sup> Minot prayed in y<sup>e</sup> morning

The 1 3 81 y<sup>e</sup> Elder acquainted y<sup>e</sup> Assembly how farr we



had p'ceeded w<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Danforth & y<sup>t</sup> as yet he had not given his answer therfore if any p'son though not of y<sup>e</sup> Church (in full Communion) had any thing to aleadg to the contrary they had libertie to speak but non spake any thing, then y<sup>e</sup> Elder said y<sup>t</sup> he would take their silence for Consent but none spake

The 22 3 81 a letter was read y<sup>t</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Melton wherin they desiered to send messengers to y<sup>e</sup> ordaining of M<sup>r</sup> Thecher to be a teaching officer to their Church on y<sup>e</sup> first of June next in answer therunto (besids the Elder) y<sup>e</sup> Church made Choice of M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & Deacon Capen & Deacon Blake

The 5 of June 81 y<sup>e</sup> Elder declared to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church at Melton had ordained M<sup>r</sup> peter Thecher to be a pastor in y<sup>e</sup> Church: M<sup>r</sup> Thecher did first pray & preach then M<sup>r</sup> Encres Mather put it to Vote first to y<sup>e</sup> Church (whos Vote was afermative & then to y<sup>e</sup> messengers w<sup>ch</sup> did concur: also It was p'pounded to y<sup>e</sup> whole assembly whether any

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p'son had ought against it but none appeared; then it was p'pounded to M<sup>r</sup> Thecher whether he did accept of y<sup>e</sup> Call to office which he declared y<sup>t</sup> he did: then M<sup>r</sup> Tory gave y<sup>e</sup> Charg & m<sup>r</sup> Tory M<sup>r</sup> Mather M<sup>r</sup> Eliot & M<sup>r</sup> Willard laid on hands & lastly M<sup>r</sup> Willard gave y<sup>e</sup> right hand of fellow-ship in the name of y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> Churches

The 26 June 81 an order was read from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court requiering a publike fast to be kept y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of July next

The 3 5 81 y<sup>e</sup> Elder declared to y<sup>e</sup> Church that bro<sup>r</sup> Thomas Davenport was under some offence about y<sup>e</sup> exchange of some land w<sup>th</sup> Robt Stiles in not standing to his engagement w<sup>th</sup> Stils but disposing it to another man & y<sup>t</sup> some breatheren had delt with him about it but could git noe satisfaction, he thought y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church might goe to bro<sup>r</sup> Danfords hous (he not being able to com to y<sup>e</sup> Church) to heer y<sup>e</sup> Case, but y<sup>e</sup> Church Concluded by a Vote to send y<sup>e</sup> Elder & deacons & bro<sup>r</sup> Sumner bro<sup>r</sup> Leeds Richard Baker Ensigne Hale bro<sup>r</sup> Trot Isak Joanes bro<sup>r</sup> Tolman Sen<sup>r</sup> Daniell preston & desiered Bro<sup>r</sup> Edward pason to be ther also and as many as would or Could besids to heer y<sup>e</sup> Case & returne to y<sup>e</sup> Church how they found it

The 10 5 81 y<sup>e</sup> Elder did (in y<sup>e</sup> name of y<sup>e</sup> p'sons above deputed) declare to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> they had been w<sup>th</sup> brother Davenport & after long agetations they brought it to this



conclusion y<sup>e</sup> bro<sup>r</sup> Davenport & Stiles Chose out some men each of them to Consider of y<sup>e</sup> matter & they did engag each to y<sup>e</sup> other in a bond of 30 pounds to stand to their determination

w<sup>ch</sup> afterward was don & Stiles had his land confeirmed unto him

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The 14 6 81 ther was a Contribution for M<sup>r</sup> Swan & others at Rocksbery who had their houses burnt, at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was Colected six pound pence in money & it was delivered to Elder Humphry who was to Conveigh it to y<sup>e</sup> deacons of Rocksbery who together w<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Dudlee & M<sup>r</sup> Elliot weer to devid it as they Judged meet

The 25 10 81 M<sup>r</sup> John Danforth gave his answer publikly before y<sup>e</sup> whole assembly of his acceptance of his call to be with us to preach & pray amongst us

The 5 12 81 Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Modesly was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church (though not in full Comunion but (under g<sup>t</sup> Obligations) by her submitting to y<sup>e</sup> Government of Christ in his Church) she was Called to answer for her sine of fornication. She did appeare but being put to it to speak by way of acknnowledgment of y<sup>e</sup> sin, she gave noe answer but weept whether for y<sup>e</sup> shame or y<sup>e</sup> sin y<sup>e</sup> was not known, & y<sup>e</sup> Church was dismissed for y<sup>e</sup> time

The 19 12 81 M<sup>r</sup> John Danforth Joyned to y<sup>e</sup> Church being dismissed from Rocksbery.

The same day ther was appointed a day of fast to be kept y<sup>e</sup> first of March in order to o<sup>r</sup> further p<sup>ceeding</sup> with M<sup>r</sup> Danforth to office relation

The 16 (1) 82 Mary Modesly was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church againe who did by wrighting make Confession of her Sin & she was dismissed by Silence of y<sup>e</sup> Church

The 2 (2) 82 y<sup>e</sup> Church was stayed & by a unanimous Vote M<sup>r</sup> John Danforth was Chosen pastor to y<sup>e</sup> Church in Dorchester but his acceptance of it was not then called for, he being not p<sup>sent</sup> at that time but y<sup>e</sup> next day or next Saboth he accepted y<sup>e</sup> Call

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The 30 Aprill 82

The Church stayed to appoint a time of Ordaining M<sup>r</sup> Danforth w<sup>ch</sup> by a Vote was Concluded to be the last wednesday in June next being the 28 June 82 alsoe it was Voted that ther should be sent unto eight Churches for their Elders





& Messengers Viz 3 Churches in Boston & Rocksbery Deadham Melton Brantry & Waymoth & meadfeild And it was Voted y<sup>e</sup> there should be two meetings that day & that M<sup>r</sup> Incres Mather should be desiered to take one part of y<sup>e</sup> day & y<sup>e</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Eliot should be desiered to give y<sup>e</sup> Charge.

The 22 4 82 ther was a publique day of Humilliation Cheifly for our Agents gon for England.

The 28 4 82 M<sup>r</sup> Danforth was ordained pastor to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Dorchester. (& preached on that Text 2 Kings. 2. 14. where is y<sup>e</sup> Lord God of Elijah.)

The 6 6 82 Isack Ryalls wife who was Wait Spur brought her child to be baptized & her self to enter into Covenant but y<sup>e</sup> Vote being put to y<sup>e</sup> Church it was denyed her becaus it was not p<sup>o</sup>posed to ye Church afore.

The 20. 6: 82 Joseph Leeds was before y<sup>e</sup> Church for some miscaredeg towards his wife; M<sup>r</sup> Danforth made mention of y<sup>e</sup> matter to y<sup>e</sup> Church & found it was not as bad as was reported & o<sup>r</sup> bro<sup>r</sup> Leeds had made some ackknowldgment of his fault: but y<sup>e</sup> did not satisfie y<sup>e</sup> Church becaus he did not with his owne mouth make acknowldgment (now), therfor it was defered to a fortnight after for him to Consider more of it & therefore he was advertized to forbear coming to y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament y<sup>e</sup> next lords day

The 3 7 82 Joseph Leeds was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church againe to make Confession of his sin in thrusting his wife out of Doare & fetching blood at her mouth y<sup>e</sup> which he would excuse, though ther weer two did testifie y<sup>t</sup> he had owned such acting to them, but his answer was y<sup>t</sup> either they did mistake him or he did mistake himselfe: but many weer dissatisfied & therefore it was deferred at p<sup>o</sup>sent untill fortnight after

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The 17 7 82

Joseph Leeds was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church & wholl assembly to answer for his offence in his Carredg towards his wife who at this time gave more satisfaction than before by his acknowldgment & by his promis to carry it more loveing to her for time to Come y<sup>e</sup> Church did accept of his Confession

The same day y<sup>e</sup> Case of Johnathan Blackman was Considered & he was expected to make his Confession of his sin in stealling horses & lying for w<sup>ch</sup> he was convicted before y<sup>e</sup> Court & had Corporall punishment, but he refusing to come before y<sup>e</sup> Church he running away out of y<sup>e</sup> Jurisdiction was at this time rejected & disowned from his



Church relation & excommunicated though not delivered up to satan as those in full Communion but yet to be looked at as an heathen & a publican & familer & societie with him forbidden unless (to His Relations) natuerall & civell y<sup>e</sup> he may be ashamed :

The 22 November 82 there was a publik day of thanksgiving apointed by y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court for y<sup>e</sup> Continuance of o<sup>r</sup> Libertie Sacred & Civell for y<sup>e</sup> plentifull harvest this yeer & for y<sup>e</sup> safe arivall of o<sup>r</sup> messengers in England

The 24 10 82 patience Blake y<sup>e</sup> wife of Edward Blake of Melton who had formerly (when called ther unto) refused to owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & Submit to y<sup>e</sup> Government of Christ in his Church, she did make confession & acknowledgment of her great sin in soe doing & this she did Vollentarily to y<sup>e</sup> satisfaction of y<sup>e</sup> Church in that thing & was then p<sup>r</sup>ounded to owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant when called therunto if none had any thing against it .

The 14 11 82 notice was given & y<sup>e</sup> Church Consented therunto of a day of humilliation to be kept on y<sup>e</sup> last of instant being wednesday in regard of y<sup>e</sup> distres y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> people of god weer in in o<sup>r</sup> native Contry & also in other p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world [120] (82) & to pray for y<sup>e</sup> Continuance of o<sup>r</sup> peace & liberties & for o<sup>r</sup> agents in England & for gods guidance of y<sup>e</sup> generall Court which is Called to Conveene y<sup>e</sup> first wednesday in february being y<sup>e</sup> 7 day of y<sup>t</sup> month

The 25 (1) 7<sup>8</sup> thes following publikly owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

John Minot

Aprill 1 77

James Minot Jun<sup>r</sup>

Aprill 8 77

Theophelus poole

22. 2. 77. James Minot Schoolmast<sup>r</sup>, Sam<sup>l</sup> Pelton

22 8 82

Samuell Rigby

Samuell peltons wife

Joshua Henshaws wif

Joseph Birch his wife

The last of thes y<sup>e</sup> Elder said her father had been sent unto to owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & he said he was willing to doe what was nedfull but as yet had not don it, but his dafter did as others owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant. her fathers name is Timothy Wales the sonne of old goodman Wales his grandfather he was a member in full Communion but not her emediat father



18 March 83

Owened y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of Watching

Atherton & Mahittabell her sister, both of them

y<sup>e</sup> Children of Samuuell Rigbey

The 29 2 83 John Minot came forth Vollentaryly & acknowledged his sine in being overtaken too much in drinking on y<sup>e</sup> day of Major Clarks funerall

The same day y<sup>e</sup> Elder declared a publick day of Humilliation to be kept on y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> of May next being a week before y<sup>e</sup> Election

The 29 5 83 ther was a Contribution for Captives Viz M<sup>r</sup> Graves ship M<sup>r</sup> & one Robinson. Contributed 12 pound 10<sup>s</sup> 10<sup>d</sup> to be devided between them

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About y<sup>e</sup> beging of Sep 83 y<sup>e</sup> Church was Caused to stay to know ther minds Concerning patience Blake whether she should (as she desiered) be p<sup>p</sup>osed to Joyn to this Church divers spake & thought it weer more Convenient for her to joyn to Melton Church wher she lived & it was put to y<sup>e</sup> Vote y<sup>t</sup> if any weer otherwis minded they should speak, but none did speak & soe it rested for y<sup>t</sup> time

The 11<sup>th</sup> of November a wrighting read concerning patience Blake shewing her Reasons why she Could not joyn to Melton Church y<sup>e</sup> same day an order was read of y<sup>e</sup> generall Court who appointed a publique fast to be kept y<sup>e</sup> 22 of No 83 in regard of y<sup>e</sup> sad condition we weer in respecting y<sup>e</sup> danger of loosing o<sup>r</sup> liberties both Sivell & Sacret o<sup>r</sup> Charter being Called for

The 30 10 83 ther was a Contribution for a Captive Viz y<sup>e</sup> Son of a woman liveing at pescattoway at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was Contrebuted 4<sup>li</sup> — 14<sup>s</sup> — 1<sup>d</sup> and Comitted to Elder Humphry for to deliver it to y<sup>e</sup> woman

The same day y<sup>e</sup> Church was desiered to stay to advis together about patience Blak whether she should be dealt with all for some offense y<sup>t</sup> Georg Lyon of Melton had against her but ther being but one witnes against her Viz John Spur who is now at Tanton though more might be said yet y<sup>e</sup> advice was to lett her alone till John Spur did Come down & not to p<sup>p</sup>ceed to sentence her as yet





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The 20 of January 1683 Consider Atherton (who had fallen into y<sup>e</sup> sine of Drunknes both formerly & now againe of late) was called forth before the Church (though not in full Comunion) to make his acknowledg<sup>mt</sup> of his sin, y<sup>e</sup> which he did by writing being read unto y<sup>e</sup> Church & he owned it

The 17 12 83 phillip Withington owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant in order to y<sup>e</sup> baptizing his child

The same Day John Weeks was called forth to acknowlig his sine in stealling a Chees from a man at y<sup>e</sup> Ordinary but spake never a word but what was read in wrighting & y<sup>e</sup> Vote was put by silence

The 9 (1) 8<sup>3</sup> ther was an acknowledgment read of Ebenezer Lyons who was latly p<sup>r</sup>ounded to Joyne in full Comunion but John Blackman & some others had taken some offence for words spoken by him but could hardly bring him to confess it but at last he did by wrighting but he himself was not p<sup>r</sup>sent to owne y<sup>e</sup> wrighting, soe he was defered to see what his after conversation might be

The 23 of March 8<sup>3</sup> Ebenezer Lyon was called forth againe to make Confession of some other offence in denying of p<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> wrighting read by M<sup>r</sup> Danforth a fortnight afore & saying y<sup>t</sup> he did not know of such a passedg ther in & this he denyed stiffly untill at lenth ther weer two possetive witnesses to prove it & then he confessed it but y<sup>e</sup> Church thought it not fitt at p<sup>r</sup>sent to admit of him but to waite further to see his life & Conversation

The 30 March 8<sup>3</sup> ther weer two p<sup>r</sup>sons Viz Timothy Crohore & An Crohore y<sup>e</sup> sone & dafter of y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Robt Spur (who had as some did afferme formerly owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant in M<sup>r</sup> Mathers time) thes two p<sup>r</sup>sons being adult (& had declared ther knowlige in y<sup>e</sup> principle of Religion before y<sup>e</sup> Elders) did p<sup>r</sup>sonally owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant in order to their baptizme

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The 24 2 84 ther was a publike day of humilliation in this Collony in respect of y<sup>e</sup> troubles & sad estate of y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>testant Intrest in other p<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world & in o<sup>r</sup> native Contry & y<sup>e</sup> great fears Concerning o<sup>r</sup> selves y<sup>e</sup> same day ther was a Contribution made to be put into y<sup>e</sup> deacons hands for a supply unto y<sup>e</sup> poore as need requiereth at which time was Collected 2<sup>li</sup> — 1<sup>li</sup> — 0 & a bill of 3<sup>li</sup> corne by S Capen



Me 10<sup>s</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> money was Comitted to me & 1<sup>li</sup>—11<sup>s</sup> unto deacon Blake

The 5 4 84 ther was a publique day of Humilliation in this Collony on y<sup>e</sup> same acc<sup>t</sup> with y<sup>e</sup> former, at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was a Contribution for y<sup>e</sup> poore espessaly w<sup>th</sup> respect of goodman heauen at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Colected 1<sup>li</sup>—1<sup>s</sup>—9<sup>d</sup> in money & a bill of a bl Corne from Ensign Clap & half a bl from

Me this was Comitted into y<sup>e</sup> hands of Deacon Blake wholly

The 22 4 84 Sister George was called againe before y<sup>e</sup> Church who at this time made Confession of her sin of letting some have drinke w<sup>ch</sup> made them drunke & of her denyng of it & of her goeing from y<sup>e</sup> Church in such a disorderly maner

The 20 7 84 ther was a Contrebuton for mosses Ayers being Captive at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Contrebuted 6<sup>li</sup>—2<sup>s</sup>—8<sup>d</sup> & dlevered y<sup>e</sup> same time unto Thomas Tilston who together w<sup>th</sup> Thomas peirs weer by y<sup>e</sup> Congregation appointed to manedg y<sup>e</sup> bussines of convaying into safe hands for the efecting of y<sup>e</sup> redemption of him & to enquier what was wanting

Also wheeras ther was formerly a Contrebuton for y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Robenson her son of Six pound 4<sup>s</sup>—8<sup>d</sup> being a Captive with a p<sup>m</sup>is y<sup>t</sup> if it weer not made use off it should be returned againe it appeared afterward y<sup>t</sup> he got home without y<sup>e</sup> redemption money therfore it was y<sup>e</sup> day above said p<sup>p</sup>osed to y<sup>e</sup> Congregation whether it should be called for againe, & by a Vote it was concluded y<sup>t</sup> it should be called for & Voted y<sup>t</sup> deacon Capen should cale for it, & it was then spoken too y<sup>t</sup> if y<sup>e</sup> above said Contribution did not reach y<sup>e</sup> end y<sup>t</sup> may be added to it

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The 28 7 84 ther was an order read Come from y<sup>e</sup> generall Court requiering a day of thanksgiveinge in this Collony to be kept for y<sup>e</sup> mercys of god in staying y<sup>e</sup> abundance of raine in y<sup>e</sup> spring & blessing y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth soe y<sup>t</sup> we have a good harvest & for continueing o<sup>r</sup> peace & liberties as yet w<sup>ch</sup> we have formerly enjoyed y<sup>e</sup> time appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 9 of October next

The 8 of March 8<sup>4</sup> ther was mention made of a ginerall publique fast appointed by y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court respecting y<sup>e</sup> distresses of y<sup>e</sup> people of god abroad & soe in England & Scotland & y<sup>e</sup> great fears of sad times among our selves y<sup>e</sup>



hazard of o<sup>r</sup> liberties both Sacred & Sivell y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 12 of this Instant march & ther was appointed to be a contrebutation at y<sup>t</sup> time to be put into y<sup>e</sup> hands of y<sup>e</sup> deacons to be disposed at their discretion at w<sup>ch</sup> time was contrebuted 33<sup>s</sup> 9<sup>d</sup>: of w<sup>ch</sup> 17<sup>s</sup> deacon blake had & 16<sup>s</sup> 9<sup>d</sup> I had

The same time It was appointed y<sup>t</sup> wee should have a monthly lecturer to begin y<sup>e</sup> next wednesday after the fast w<sup>ch</sup> will be y<sup>e</sup> 18 instant March M<sup>r</sup> Danforth haveing granted it soe to be

The 5 aprill 85 was a Contribution for a boy y<sup>t</sup> had y<sup>e</sup> stone at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Contributed 1<sup>li</sup> — 11 7 & a peice of Spanish money 7<sup>d</sup>  $\frac{1}{2}$  & all left in my hand

The 12 aprill 84 was Contrebutation for a Captive whos name is Gold at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Contributed 3<sup>li</sup> — 10 11 left in deacon blaks hand

The 26 2 85 was a letter read from y<sup>e</sup> North Church in Boston desiering y<sup>e</sup> Elders & messengers of o<sup>r</sup> Church to be sent to y<sup>e</sup> ordaining of (M<sup>r</sup>) Cotton Mather on y<sup>e</sup> 13 2 85 at w<sup>ch</sup> time y<sup>e</sup> Church apointed m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton Deacon Capen & deacon Blake as ther messengers with M<sup>r</sup> Danforth o<sup>r</sup> pastor

Y<sup>e</sup> same day ther was read y<sup>e</sup> Conclusion of y<sup>e</sup> Senod formerly agreed on as y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>ovoking sines y<sup>t</sup> we stood guilty off & to be Humbled for

The 3 3 85 was read a pap from y<sup>e</sup> governor & Councell to excit y<sup>e</sup> Elders & minester to take Care of their flocks by goeing from hous to hous & see how y<sup>e</sup> people p<sup>r</sup>fitting by y<sup>e</sup> word & that instructing y<sup>e</sup> youth may goe forward at y<sup>e</sup> same time y<sup>e</sup> Elder p<sup>r</sup>posed y<sup>t</sup>

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tow of y<sup>e</sup> tithing mens Squadrons at a time appointed should come together to some place for y<sup>t</sup> end from 8 to 16 yeers of age to be Catechized & from 16 to 24 y<sup>e</sup> yong p<sup>r</sup>sons should come together to be discoursed with all y<sup>e</sup> maids by themselves & y<sup>e</sup> men by themselves & y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> tithing men should give notice to them of y<sup>e</sup> time & place &c :

The 7 4 85 ther was a Contrebutation for Goo Bowens of rocksbery Brother who is a Captive with y<sup>e</sup> turks at which time was Colected two pounds fowerteen shilling & left in my hands for the p<sup>r</sup>son Conserved

The 28 4 85 an order was read from y<sup>e</sup> Court who appointed a day of humiliation for all y<sup>e</sup> Collony to be on y<sup>e</sup> 16 July in regard of y<sup>e</sup> great & ginerall Feavor & Ague amongst us & y<sup>e</sup> dry season & y<sup>e</sup> trouble & low estate of y<sup>e</sup> people of god abroad in y<sup>e</sup> world: one this day ther was a Contrebutation





for y<sup>e</sup> poor to be put into y<sup>e</sup> deacons hands but notice was not given of it afore therfore ther was but 15<sup>s</sup> — 4<sup>d</sup> colected of w<sup>ch</sup> deacon Blake had 8<sup>s</sup> — 4 & I had 7<sup>s</sup> & it was y<sup>e</sup> same time desiered by y<sup>e</sup> elder y<sup>t</sup> on such times & thanks giveing days ther might be some Contrebutioun for y<sup>e</sup> poore

The 9 6 85 was a Contrebutioun for one tucker of Boston a Captive at w<sup>ch</sup> time was contrebuted 3<sup>li</sup> — 1<sup>s</sup> — 6 money & left in my hand to be delivered to y<sup>e</sup> mans wife who gave a receipt

The 8 Novem 85 ther was a Contribution for peter Talbut at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Contrebuted 40<sup>s</sup> 11<sup>d</sup> & left in my hands and dl to him y<sup>e</sup> 11 9 85 who gave a receipt

The 15 9 85 notice was given to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> minesters meeting together at Boston concluded of a day of thanksgiving to be kept on y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> next month

The same day ther was a Contrebutioun for ffrances Balle at w<sup>ch</sup> time was colected 33<sup>s</sup> — 10<sup>d</sup> & two half bl Corne on from Jn<sup>o</sup> Withington & one from William Trescot left in my hands dl to ffrances Baall y<sup>e</sup> 7 10 85 & he gave a receipt (to me John Capen.)

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Y<sup>e</sup> 14 12 85 Elder Humphrey moved to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> they would look out & p<sup>r</sup>ovid themself another Elder becaus he had been long lame & did look at himself neer his dep<sup>r</sup>uer out of this world

Me y<sup>e</sup> 7 (1) 8<sup>5</sup> Votes weer brought in for a rulling Elder & Deacon Blake had 46 votes & 15 or 16 for other p<sup>r</sup>sons & left to his consideration till another time

y<sup>e</sup> same day was an order read from y<sup>e</sup> ginerall Court requiering a day of Humilliation p<sup>r</sup>ly y<sup>t</sup> god ould continue of liberties Sacret & Sivell as also in regard of y<sup>e</sup> pox w<sup>ch</sup> threaten & was at y<sup>e</sup> Eastword as also gods frowns uppon us in y<sup>e</sup> hardnes of y<sup>e</sup> winter both for man & beast y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 25 Instant to be a publick fast

The 4 of Aprill 86 Deacon James Blake was called to give his answer to the vote of y<sup>e</sup> Church, but he p<sup>r</sup>posed his unfitnes for such a work p<sup>r</sup>ly because of his thic<sup>k</sup>nes of heer- ing & p<sup>r</sup>ly y<sup>e</sup> diffeculty of y<sup>e</sup> worke & soe it was left to his further consideration

Me y<sup>e</sup> 25 of Aprill 86 Deacon Blake being called on did accept of y<sup>e</sup> voate of y<sup>e</sup> Church to be an Elder.

Me y<sup>e</sup> 2 of May 86 ther weer votes put in for a deacon in Deacon Blaks room & those two y<sup>t</sup> had most Votes weer to be put in to Vote againe the next Saboth for to have one of them, & Danell preston & Enock Wiswell were y<sup>e</sup> two y<sup>t</sup> had most vots



The 9 may 86 those two weer put to Vote againe & Danell preston Sen<sup>r</sup> had y<sup>e</sup> Major Vote w<sup>ch</sup> was 46 & the other had eleven: his acceptance was called for at y<sup>e</sup> same time, but he desiered a little time to Consider of it

The 23 May 86 Daniell preston manifested his acceptance of y<sup>e</sup> office of a deacon

The same time it was agreed that o<sup>r</sup> next lectuer day should be appointed for Ordination of Elder & Deacon and y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Eliot should be desiered to joyne in y<sup>e</sup> laying on of hands w<sup>ch</sup> will be y<sup>e</sup> 9 of June next which was accomplished that day. (Elder Humphreys being newly deceased.)

Me y<sup>e</sup> 27 June 86 y<sup>e</sup> Elder proposed to y<sup>e</sup> Congregation after y<sup>e</sup> evening exerciz y<sup>t</sup> it was Judged meet y<sup>t</sup> ther should be a day of humilliation kept in regard

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of y<sup>e</sup> great want of raine and in regard of y<sup>e</sup> spreding distemp of y<sup>e</sup> Small pox in Boston & some other places it was agreed by a voat to be y<sup>e</sup> next wednesday being y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Instant June

The 11 5 86 an order was read y<sup>t</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>sedent Counsell requiering a day of humilliation to be kept y<sup>e</sup> 14 Instant to pray for his Majestie & for a blessing upon o<sup>r</sup> Change of Goverment & in regard of o<sup>r</sup> great want of raine & on y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> people of god in other p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world Espesally in England & becaus of y<sup>e</sup> great p<sup>r</sup>secution of y<sup>e</sup> protestants in france

Me y<sup>e</sup> 17 Octo 86 M<sup>r</sup> Nathaniell Glover did vollentarily acknowledg his sin of being at unawares overtaken w<sup>th</sup> drink

The 14 9 86 an order was read y<sup>t</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>sedent & Counsell requiering a day of thanksgiving for y<sup>e</sup> blessing of god upon y<sup>e</sup> fruts of y<sup>e</sup> earth notwithstanding y<sup>e</sup> great fears through y<sup>e</sup> drowth also for his majesties indulgances towards us in matters of religion &c y<sup>e</sup> day to be kept is y<sup>e</sup> 25 Novem 86

The 31 5 87 y<sup>e</sup> Elder p<sup>r</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Congregation y<sup>t</sup> ther might be a day of fast kept on o<sup>r</sup> lectuer day being y<sup>e</sup> therd of August 87 on y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> people of god under sad p<sup>r</sup>secution abroad in y<sup>e</sup> world as in france & Scotland and other p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world & also in England & in regard of o<sup>r</sup> selves for y<sup>e</sup> destroying wormes y<sup>t</sup> have devowered soe much grass though now through y<sup>e</sup> mercy of god they are much abated as alsoe with respect to y<sup>e</sup> goverment w<sup>ch</sup> is now set up & y<sup>t</sup> god would p<sup>r</sup>serve to us y<sup>e</sup> appointed weeks of harvest: this was agreed unto by a silent Vote



Me y<sup>e</sup> 21 6 87 Bro<sup>r</sup> John Wales did Vollentaryly make Confession of his sin of being overtaken in drinking to excess on a training day at John Brecks house being y<sup>e</sup> day y<sup>t</sup> he (sd Breck) did accept of his Comission to be Captin

1687  
Ro: Spur jun<sup>r</sup>  
Mary Goodall  
Sarah &  
Hannah  
Marrifield  
called y<sup>e</sup>  
Covenant.

Me this is y<sup>e</sup> therd p'son y<sup>t</sup> have made Confession of such a sin Viz John Minot M<sup>r</sup> Nathaniell Glover & now John Wales

Me y<sup>e</sup> 27 9 87 was read an order from y<sup>e</sup> Governor & Counsell requiering a day of thanksgiving to be observed y<sup>e</sup> 1 of y<sup>e</sup> 10 m 87 at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther

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was a Contrebuttion for y<sup>e</sup> poor in money was Contrebutted 1<sup>li</sup>—14—5 besids a peice of eight w<sup>ch</sup> was appointed I think by M<sup>r</sup> Danforth for John Weeks for his wif to buy wool

of y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>li</sup>—14—5<sup>d</sup> deacon preston had 17<sup>s</sup>—3<sup>d</sup> & I had 17<sup>s</sup>—2<sup>d</sup>

and in Nots Timothy Tilston —0—1—6

Daniell preston jun<sup>r</sup> a bl Corn

Isack Joans on bl of Corn

William Trescot 2 pecks Corn

Timothy ffoster on bl Corn

Samuell paul on bl of Corn

Jn<sup>o</sup> Withington on bl of Corne 0—3—0

Jn<sup>o</sup> Tolman half a bl Corne on demand

Obediah Haws half a bl Corne

Tho Modesly half a bl Corne—0—1—6

this was given to fr baal

The 8 of January 87 was Sister Hix called forth before y<sup>e</sup> Church to make confession of her sine of drunkennes being often taken in y<sup>t</sup> sin, her confession was read in wrighting & y<sup>e</sup> Vote was called for, & past by silence

The 3 of May 88 ther was fast in o<sup>r</sup> towne it is said a publik fast but few towns had notice of it nor had wee but by M<sup>r</sup> Stoughtons enforming y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Counsell had determind it ther was none at Rocksbery nor Cambridg nor watertown  
20, 3, 88  
John Brown  
called y<sup>e</sup>  
Covenant

nor at boston but at y<sup>e</sup> first Church ther y<sup>e</sup> Saboth before they say was apointed a thanksgiveing day for y<sup>e</sup> queens being w<sup>th</sup> child: our Saboth was kept as at other times being Sacrament day

The 27 of May 88 Consider atherton was called upon to make Confession of his sine of drunkennes but he did not appeare

The 10 of June he was called upon againe & although





hardly brought to it he had delivered to y<sup>e</sup> Elders a day or two before in wrighting some generall Confession but it did not sattesfie y<sup>e</sup> Church m<sup>r</sup> Danforth p<sup>o</sup>posed to him whether he did hate y<sup>t</sup> sine & abhor it to w<sup>ch</sup> he would make noe answer but semed to excus himself though he was found asleep in y<sup>e</sup> high way under y<sup>e</sup> wall beyond hawkins brook & could not be awakened by thos y<sup>t</sup> found him ther

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he had been abroad all y<sup>t</sup> night at W. Chaplins w<sup>th</sup> other Company y<sup>e</sup> Church was not satisfied but y<sup>e</sup> matter was put of till another time

The 24 4 88 Consider Atherton was called forth againe but did not give Satisfaction to y<sup>e</sup> Church but the matter was Suspended till another time to see his lif & Conversation what it would be

The 8 5 Consider Atherton was called upon againe to answer for his drunkennes this last week y<sup>e</sup> second day & y<sup>e</sup> therd day & y<sup>e</sup> fift day of this last week y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> day Elder Blake found him lying on y<sup>e</sup> ground fast asleep with his hat off & hors feeding in y<sup>e</sup> way but he could hardly wake him & when he was wakened Could not give a Rationall answer he was soe drunk & reeled & staggered as he went : but he did not appear before y<sup>e</sup> Church though he was warned soe to doe: therfore y<sup>e</sup> Church put it off till another

also ther weer three women of Boston & Sister Blackman weer witnesses with y<sup>e</sup> Elder of his lying drunk & goodman Andrews saw him first reell & then fall off from his hors & Judged y<sup>t</sup> he lay ther an hower before y<sup>e</sup> Elder Came to him; he told y<sup>e</sup> Elders that he had been at Boston & Rocksbury at y<sup>e</sup> ordinarys & at one ordinary wheer ther was fighting as he told one of them

The 15 5 88 Consider Atherton was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church againe but did not appear wherfore y<sup>e</sup> Case being againe declared to y<sup>e</sup> Church & his frequent drunkennes & Idlenes & breach of former p<sup>o</sup>mises to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>e</sup> horrible refractorynes to & Contempt of & rebellion against y<sup>e</sup> Church being Considered they first by a unanimos Vote as was Esteemed by all they Judged & declared (y<sup>e</sup> evidences p<sup>o</sup>ddused) to be sufficient & Judged & declared

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in y<sup>e</sup> name of Christ y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> said Consider Atherton to be an obstinat ofendor & an incoridgable drunkard & accordingly



to be delt withall And wheras some p'pounded to have him Cast out others to have him admonished; y<sup>e</sup> mind of y<sup>e</sup> Church was tryed both ways by a duple Vote by lifting up of hands & y<sup>e</sup> Major Vote by farr was for an admonition to be adminestered to him by y<sup>e</sup> Elders in p'sence of one or more of y<sup>e</sup> breatheren in privat y<sup>e</sup> said Consider declining to apeare in publick (which was afterwards done.)

The 29 5 88 y<sup>e</sup> Elder did declare to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> according to y<sup>e</sup> Vote of the Church they with some breathen went to y<sup>e</sup> hous of Consider Atherton on the 19 of this Instant & found him at home & o<sup>r</sup> pastor declared to him y<sup>e</sup> mind of y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> he should be admonished, but they told him if he would appear y<sup>e</sup> next Saboth before y<sup>e</sup> Church they would Suspend it till then but he would make noe answer to it, & soe he was admonished

The 9 7 88 It was p'posed to the Church weth<sup>r</sup> thos y<sup>t</sup> weer grown up & had not submitted to y<sup>e</sup> Goverment of Christ in y<sup>e</sup> Church should not be called on soe to doe; It was voted in ye affermative.

9. 7<sup>m</sup> 88 Voted alsoe y<sup>t</sup> all o<sup>r</sup> absent members settled in other towns should be recommended & y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church would have noe more to doe with them or others recommended except in Case they fall into Scandall. Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same time it was p'posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> seeing ther are many y<sup>t</sup> did formerly Submit to y<sup>e</sup> Goverment of Christ in this Church but are now removed to some other towns; whether thos should not be recommended to y<sup>e</sup> wach of y<sup>e</sup> Churches wher they live; y<sup>e</sup> Vote was in y<sup>e</sup> affermative nemine contradicente.

The 7 of October was read a letter y<sup>t</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Rocksbery desiering y<sup>e</sup> Church to send ther Elders & messengers to y<sup>e</sup> ordaining of M<sup>r</sup> Walters on y<sup>e</sup> 17 Instant the Church appointed y<sup>e</sup> Elders & deacon Capen & deacon preston for y<sup>t</sup> worke

The 25 No 88 notice was given to y<sup>e</sup> Congregation of turning o<sup>r</sup> next lectuer day being y<sup>e</sup> 27 Instant into a day of fasting & prayer for o<sup>r</sup>selves & y<sup>e</sup> Churches & Christians in other p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world & for o<sup>r</sup> men y<sup>t</sup> are gon out to ware & y<sup>e</sup> rising generation M<sup>r</sup> Danforth & M<sup>r</sup> Thecher carryed on y<sup>e</sup> work of y<sup>t</sup> day

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Md y<sup>e</sup> 6 of 11 88 It was p<sup>o</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church whether Experience Hellier (w<sup>ch</sup> is y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Lift Hale) w<sup>ch</sup> Comitted y<sup>e</sup> sin of forneation & doe live at Charlstown whether if she did acknowlegd her sin to the satisfaction of that Church, it would satisfie y<sup>e</sup> Church heer, the Vote was taken in y<sup>e</sup> affirmative

24. 1. 89 The 16 3 89 was a publik fast appointed it  
 John being about y<sup>e</sup> time of settling y<sup>e</sup> Ginerall Court  
 Glovers wife w<sup>ch</sup> was chosen in y<sup>e</sup> yeer 86 this 16 3 89 y<sup>e</sup> same  
 owned y<sup>e</sup> day a fier brak out in Boston at y<sup>e</sup> North end of  
 Covent<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> town w<sup>ch</sup> p<sup>o</sup>vented M<sup>r</sup> Mather morning exerciz

The 21 July 89 an order from the Counsell & rep<sup>o</sup>sentatives was read who appointed a publique fast to be kept y<sup>e</sup> 25 of this month in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> troubls & unsetlednes of y<sup>e</sup> goverment & in regard of y<sup>e</sup> Indians ploting against us & doeing mischeif in some p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Cuntry killing & plundering & in behalf of o<sup>r</sup> Native Cuntry y<sup>t</sup> god would bless o<sup>r</sup> new king & queen & nobles & y<sup>e</sup> Church of god in other p<sup>ts</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> world

The 19 September 89 our lectuer day was turned to a fasting day

The 16 No 89 ther was a Contrebutiion for Goodman Hinsdall of Meadfeild at y<sup>e</sup> Motion of M<sup>r</sup> Wilson (formerly the Pastor of this Church—but now of Medfeild) at which time was Contrebuted two pound 8<sup>s</sup> & 8<sup>d</sup> which was delivered unto M<sup>r</sup> Danforth to be conveyed to him (& was sent accordingly.)

The 8 10 89 ther was a generall Contrebutiion for y<sup>e</sup> poore in Dorchester at y<sup>e</sup> motion of y<sup>e</sup> Select men, at which time ther was Contrebuted in money six pound 7<sup>s</sup>-8<sup>d</sup> (& some Bills)

bils y<sup>t</sup> weer put in was by y<sup>e</sup> Select men & deakons appointed to Severall p<sup>o</sup>sons as they thought needed as followeth

for frances Baall

M<sup>r</sup> Danforth 4 bl of Rey

Georg Minot on bl of Corn

Samuell paul 1 bl of Corn

Richard Butt on bl of Corn

Thomas Modsly on bl of Corne





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for Robt Stanton

Isack Humphry on bl of Corn  
 Desier Clap on bl of Rey  
 Ephraim pason 2 pecks of Rey  
 Samuell pason 2 pecks of Rey  
 Thomas Lyon 2 pecks of Corn  
 John Minot Six shillings

for frances Bakon

phillip Withington on bl of Corne  
 Daved Joans 3 pecks of Corne

for Christian potter

Samuell Toplif on bl of Corne  
 Thomas Trot Jun<sup>r</sup> 3 shillings  
 preserved Capen on shilling as money  
 Obadiah Haws 2 pecks of Rey

for y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Rider

Isack Joans 2 bl Corn & 2 pecks of Rey  
 Richard Leeds on bl of Corne  
 Ebenezer Lyon 2 Shillings  
 Srg<sup>nt</sup> Swift 2 pecks of Corn

for Samuell Hill

Thomas Trot Sen<sup>r</sup> on bl Corn & on bl Rey  
 Thomas Robenson on peck of Rey

for Ebenezer Davenport

Samuell Capen 3 shillings  
 Ebenezer Withington 3 shillings

for Thomas Ewens

James Bird 3 shillings

for Joseph Birch

Ebenezer Williams 3 shillings

The whol Sume of y<sup>e</sup> bills come to about 4 pound ten shillings y<sup>e</sup> money was disposed as y<sup>e</sup> Select ment thought most meet only their was about 40<sup>s</sup> left for other nesessity left in deacon prestons hand

The 15 10 89 y<sup>e</sup> Elder did declar y<sup>e</sup> order of y<sup>e</sup> Ginerall Court requiering a publick & ginerall day of humilliation to be kept by all y<sup>e</sup> Churches in this Collony y<sup>e</sup> day apointed was y<sup>e</sup> 19 10 89

9, 12, 89 Susanna Rigby laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>



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The 12 of y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>89</sup> ther was a Contrebuton moved by y<sup>e</sup> Counsell for y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Pese whos husband was slaine in takeing y<sup>e</sup> pirats w<sup>ch</sup> did doe mischeif to vessels on y<sup>e</sup> Coast at w<sup>ch</sup> time 39 shillings & 7<sup>d</sup> Colected & left in y<sup>e</sup> hands of Deacon preston to be Convayed to Major Wintrop or Adam Wintrop who weer apointed to dispos it for y<sup>e</sup> widdow as they saw meet

The 23 of Feb 89 or 90 y<sup>e</sup> Elder did declare y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> generall Court did requier all y<sup>e</sup> Collony for to keepe a day of fasting & prayer in regard of y<sup>e</sup> troubls y<sup>t</sup> we are in & y<sup>e</sup> wars & small pox & ffeaver in divers places & in regard of o<sup>r</sup> agents y<sup>t</sup> are gon to England and divers other matters; y<sup>e</sup> day to be kept is y<sup>e</sup> 6 of March next

The 23 of March 90 y<sup>e</sup> Elder did declare y<sup>e</sup> order of y<sup>e</sup> generall Court Conserving p<sup>v</sup>oking evells y<sup>t</sup> care & inspection may be taken for y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>v</sup>ention therof

The 6 of July 90 y<sup>e</sup> Elder did declare y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> generall Court did requier a generall fast to be kept in all the Collony on y<sup>e</sup> 10 Instant in regard of y<sup>e</sup> troubls y<sup>t</sup> weer upon us and y<sup>e</sup> wars with french & Indians and y<sup>e</sup> sicknes y<sup>t</sup> weer amongst us as y<sup>e</sup> feavor & small pox of w<sup>ch</sup> many dyed at Boston

The 24 6 90 was an order read y<sup>t</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Governor & Counsell requiering a publick fast in y<sup>e</sup> wholl Collony in regard of y<sup>e</sup> fleet y<sup>t</sup> was gon out against y<sup>e</sup> french \* & y<sup>e</sup> sicknes of y<sup>e</sup> Smal pox of w<sup>ch</sup> many dyed in boston & some in o<sup>r</sup> town & other towns & y<sup>e</sup> feavor & ague in divers places & also for o<sup>r</sup> agents gon to England to emplead thos y<sup>t</sup> are sent as Governor Andrews & y<sup>e</sup> rest y<sup>e</sup> day to be kept is y<sup>e</sup> 28 Instant & also y<sup>e</sup> troubls of y<sup>e</sup> Church of god in England & Irland unto which king William

June, 29,  
1690.  
Mrs Mills  
owned y<sup>e</sup>  
Covnt

is gon  
Me y<sup>e</sup> 28 of Octob 90 was o<sup>r</sup> lectuer day turned to a fast

Me y<sup>e</sup> 4 11 90 was declared y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Councell requiered a publick fast in all y<sup>e</sup> Collony to be kept y<sup>e</sup> 15 11 90

Me y<sup>e</sup> 26 12 y<sup>e</sup> Councell requiered a publick day of thanksgivinge

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The 19 of april 91 after y<sup>e</sup> evening exerciz ther was a letter read w<sup>ch</sup> Came from y<sup>e</sup> Church at Waymoth desiering o<sup>r</sup> Church to send their Elders & messengers to give their Counsel in matters of difference amongst them; y<sup>e</sup> Church



made Choice of y<sup>e</sup> two Deacons & Captin Clap to be aded to o<sup>r</sup> pastor y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 22 Instant

M<sup>e</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 5 of aprill 91 Joseph Blak who married y<sup>e</sup> dafter of John Bird; he was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church to acknowledg his sin of fornecation before marridg y<sup>e</sup> which he did to y<sup>e</sup> satisfaction of y<sup>e</sup> Church: M<sup>e</sup> this should have been entered before y<sup>e</sup> former

The 26 aprill 91 M<sup>r</sup> Danforth gave an acc<sup>t</sup> of the metting at Waymoth by y<sup>e</sup> Elders & messengers Viz y<sup>t</sup> it was about some difference y<sup>t</sup> was amongst them by reason of some offence given by one amongst them: M<sup>r</sup> Torry begane with prayer y<sup>t</sup> god would dyrect & blesse them therin, & then y<sup>e</sup> man was called on who was the occasion of y<sup>e</sup> meeting & after much agetation on both sids y<sup>e</sup> man was convinced of his sin & made confession & y<sup>e</sup> Church & messgers weer satisfied ther with & y<sup>e</sup> meeting was ended with thanks giveing to god for blessing them therin The same day o<sup>r</sup> pastor recommended to o<sup>r</sup> Church to Consider whether god did not call on us in more than ordary to humble o<sup>r</sup> souls & to Consider his hand y<sup>t</sup> is gon out against us in regard of y<sup>e</sup> more then ordinary siknes & death of many of late with y<sup>e</sup> Small pox & therfor p<sup>o</sup>posed to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> ther might be a meeting together to Consider of y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>o</sup>voking sins y<sup>t</sup> should p<sup>o</sup>vok god against us y<sup>e</sup> Church Consented heerunto & y<sup>e</sup> day apointed was y<sup>e</sup> next sixt day being y<sup>e</sup> first day of May 91 y<sup>e</sup> former p<sup>o</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> day to be spent in prayer & y<sup>e</sup> other p<sup>o</sup> in discoursing

The 3 of May 91 an order was read w<sup>ch</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Counsell requiering a publick day of fasting & prayer

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to be observed in all y<sup>e</sup> Collony in regard of y<sup>e</sup> troubls of y<sup>e</sup> people of god all y<sup>e</sup> world over & ye great sicknes in this towne & all thes parts of y<sup>e</sup> Contry & deaths of many in this towne of ye pox & for o<sup>r</sup> agents gon for Ingland & divers other Causes y<sup>e</sup> day to be kept is thursday y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> of May 91

Me y<sup>e</sup> 10 of May 91 Abigail Baal y<sup>e</sup> dafter of ffrances Baall was Caled forth to acknowlidg her sine of fornecation

Me y<sup>e</sup> 30 of May 91 Captin Robert Badcock was before y<sup>e</sup> Church to confesse his sin of drunkennes of which ther was plaine evidence & y<sup>e</sup> Church was satisfied by a silent Vote.

The 23 of August 91 y<sup>e</sup> Elder did declare y<sup>t</sup> it was thought necessary y<sup>t</sup> o<sup>r</sup> next lectuer should be turned into a day of humillation which will be y<sup>e</sup> first day of September by





reason of y<sup>e</sup> great sicknees of y<sup>e</sup> feavor in most towns farr & neer & many other Causes moving therunto, y<sup>e</sup> Congregation Consented ther unto by a Vote:

The 6 of Sep 91 ther was a Contrebuton for y<sup>e</sup> poore espessally Goodman Burge at w<sup>ch</sup> time was Colected in money five pound 3<sup>s</sup>—4<sup>d</sup> & in nots 2 bl of Corne this was Comitted into y<sup>e</sup> hands of Deacon preston y<sup>e</sup> Corn was Sam Toplif on bl & old bro<sup>r</sup> Leed  $\frac{1}{2}$  a bl & phillip withington  $\frac{1}{2}$  a bl

The 13 10 91 M<sup>r</sup> Nathaniell Glover was before y<sup>e</sup> Church to acknolwedg his sin of being drunk y<sup>e</sup> week before but y<sup>e</sup> Church was not satisfied w<sup>th</sup> his Confession but it was deferred till another time: this is y<sup>e</sup> second time that he have Comited this sin

The 27 10 91 M<sup>r</sup> Glover was called forth to make Confession of his great sin of drunkennes y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>ch</sup> he did & y<sup>e</sup> major p<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Church weer satisfied & he was dismissed

The same day an order was read y<sup>t</sup> came from y<sup>e</sup> Councell requiering a publique day of humilliation

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to be observed in all y<sup>e</sup> Collony y<sup>e</sup> day appointed is y<sup>e</sup> 14 of January next

Md y<sup>e</sup> 14 of ffeb 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  ther was a Contrebuton for y<sup>e</sup> redemption of y<sup>e</sup> Captivs taken by y<sup>e</sup> Indians from york at w<sup>ch</sup> time ther was Contrebuted eighteen pound eighteen shillings & seaven pence & Comitted into y<sup>e</sup> hands of Deacon preston to carry to boston: all in money

Md y<sup>e</sup> 21 ffeb 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  Smith Woodward & his wif Confest their Sine of forneccation before marredge

19, 2, 91.  
John &  
Israel  
minot  
owned  
y<sup>e</sup> Covent  
Here Deacon John Capen ended his work and it pleased God to Remove him hence by death y<sup>e</sup> fourth of Aprill 1692 when he had served the Church as deacon moer then three and thirty years and Now he Resteth from his Labors and his works follow him

Maye y<sup>e</sup> first 92 ther was a letter sent to ouer church from portsmouth for to send mesengers for counsele consarning M<sup>r</sup> modey settelling or Removeing from his church att Strawberry Banck: and it was Read In the chruch: and y<sup>e</sup> church did consent to send sum: and m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton and m<sup>r</sup> Danforth, Elder Black.

Captin clap deacon preston were chosen for that worke



March y<sup>e</sup> 20 92 Abigall Wood y<sup>e</sup> wife of peter wood had her dismission granted to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> north church in Boston

Maye y<sup>e</sup>: 8: 92 ther was A contribution for A poore woman that had bene tacken captive by y<sup>e</sup> Indians 2 years and was now Redemed and ther was contributed two pound and thertene shilling, comited into y<sup>e</sup> hand of Deacon preston to be disposed of: which was by him given to y<sup>e</sup> woman

Maye y<sup>e</sup> 11 ore 12 92 the counsell mett att Boston att m<sup>r</sup> Modeyes house and did all unaniamly Agree that it was his Duty to Returne Againe speedly to his church and congery-gacon att Porthmouth

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May the 15: 92: ther was an order sent from the counsell and was Read In y<sup>e</sup> church for a publick fast to be kept y<sup>e</sup> 26 day of may: which day was observed and kept M<sup>r</sup> Danforth ouer pastuer In y<sup>e</sup> fornon out of Jonah 3, 5 and M<sup>r</sup> Samuell Danforth in y<sup>e</sup> Afternoon: out of y<sup>e</sup> 119 psalme 60

July y<sup>e</sup> 3 92 ther was an order sent from th governer and counsell for A publick day of thanksgiving: for the saufe Returne of sur William phips and m<sup>r</sup> Mather from Ingland and by them the Settling our goverment: and that the Lord had given ouer enimis a great foile att wels: and that the lord had ABated ouer Sicknes and y<sup>e</sup> hopfull coming one of a fruitfull Season of y<sup>e</sup> fruits of y<sup>e</sup> earth y<sup>e</sup> day Apointed is y<sup>e</sup> 14 of July 92: which day was observed and kept Accord- ing to order and m<sup>r</sup> Danforth preached y<sup>e</sup> whole day

July y<sup>e</sup> 17 92 being ouer sacrament day Deacon preston propounded to y<sup>e</sup> church y<sup>e</sup> nesity of chousing (of) another decon Deacon Capen being Removed by death and It was Agreed upon By y<sup>e</sup> church for to chuse (two Deacons.)

July y<sup>e</sup> 24 92 the church brought In ther votts for too deacons: and y<sup>e</sup> Votts fell upon Samuel Toplife and: hopstill clape: who did desier sum tim to consider of it befor y<sup>e</sup> gave ther Answer

Agust y<sup>e</sup>: 7: 92: Samuel Toplif and hopstill clape wer ordeined Deacons.

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Agust y<sup>e</sup> 25 1692 then Recieved of widow Capen thes vessels and other things that wear y<sup>e</sup> churches for y<sup>e</sup> use of y<sup>e</sup> Sacriment of the lords Super. and wear comited Into the hand of Deacon Toplif 4 flagons: 3 silvar Bools 3. sill- var Beakers: 4 pewter cups 1 pewter pint pott 4 pewter platters. 3 small tableclothes: 2 Baskets. 2 bottels thes were received by us Deacon preston and deacon clape —



Agust y<sup>e</sup> 21 92 the elder did declare to y<sup>e</sup> church that the counsell did desier that ouer lecktuer might be kept as a fast. to humbel ouerselves Before god. because of his hand gone out aganst us In regard of y<sup>e</sup> sicknes that was then Amongs us : and A great drought which was upon us And for ouer Army that was then gone out : and y<sup>e</sup> great A Bominable evels that wer Brock out Amongs us ; as witch-craft —and pride and drunkenes and other ABominable evels : which daye was kept it was y<sup>e</sup> 30 of Agust 92

September y<sup>e</sup> 25 92 the elder read A letter that was sent from the church of Canton which did declare that y<sup>e</sup> did desier that sum mesengers might be sent to them from our church for counsell because of sum difERENCE that was Amongs them which could not be healed Among themselves and ther was chosen for that work m<sup>r</sup> Danforth elder Blacke Deacon preston and enock wiswall and y<sup>e</sup> day Apointed was y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> october

october y<sup>e</sup> 18 y<sup>e</sup> elders and mesengers of 3 churches meet together att y<sup>e</sup> place Apointed In Canton to give ther advise In y<sup>e</sup> matter that was committed to them y<sup>e</sup> chose m<sup>r</sup> Willard moderator one y<sup>e</sup> 3 day of y<sup>e</sup> week In A publick Assembly at the meeting house

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After m<sup>r</sup> willard had bene at pray<sup>r</sup> unto god for his Asistance and direkcon therin that person y<sup>t</sup> had by his sinfull carige Justly offended his Brethren in many perticulars : which y<sup>e</sup> charged him withall which y<sup>e</sup> did distinckly read unto him : he had free liberty to Ansewer for himselfe and produce Any wittnes y<sup>t</sup> might help him in his case : and After y<sup>e</sup> matter was fuly debated in publick y<sup>e</sup> Assembly was dismissed : and then y<sup>e</sup> counsel mett together : and having distinckly and seriously considered of every perticular which he was charged withall y<sup>e</sup> did unimosly Agree in it that hee was giulty of many moral evels which he ought to confes as sinfull which was clearly demonstratt<sup>d</sup> by sificient wittnes his owne confession and sscriptuer evidence and that his evels wer such as did desarve a present suspension from communion until further hearing on which y<sup>e</sup> church then agreed unto.

february y<sup>e</sup> 12 169<sup>3</sup> ther was an order sent which y<sup>e</sup> elder read from y<sup>e</sup> governor And counsell for the keeping of a Publick day of thanksgiving to god for many marceyes which we had Receved from god as puting a stope to y<sup>e</sup> former sicknes And giving a good mesuer of health in ouer Borders





and A present stop to y<sup>e</sup> Rage of y<sup>e</sup> enemy: and y<sup>e</sup> good suckesse our Gratte king william hath had over o<sup>r</sup> enemies the franch and many other marcyes: which day was kept the 23 february 1693.

marche y<sup>e</sup> 19 93 Thomas Bird was caled before the church to make his confession of y<sup>e</sup> sinne of drunkenes of whiche sinne he was highly guilty, & he being now convicted,

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did make his Acknowldgment of his sinne so far that it was Accepted of y<sup>e</sup> church

march y<sup>e</sup> 26 93 Ebenezer withington and his wife were caled before the church to make ther confession of the sinne of fornication before marige: which y<sup>e</sup> did: and it was Accepted with y<sup>e</sup> church. y<sup>e</sup> same daye was Benjamin Blackman and Jemima Breck called befor y<sup>e</sup> church for to confess y<sup>e</sup> same sinne of fornication before marige which y<sup>e</sup> did to y<sup>e</sup> Satisfaction of y<sup>e</sup> church.

Aprill y<sup>e</sup> 23 ABigall merifeild having bene caste out of y<sup>e</sup> church for y<sup>e</sup> sine of fornicacon shee now being upon y<sup>e</sup> bed of sicknes is now under great convickcon of her sinne therin did send A letter of her confestion to the church: shee not being Able to com by reason of weaknes of her Body which letter was read by y<sup>e</sup> elder and Accepted by y<sup>e</sup> church so far as to releas her from her Bonds and receive her Againe

July y<sup>e</sup> 20 ther was A publick day of humiliacon kept in all y<sup>e</sup> Collony being Appinted by y<sup>e</sup> governor and the counsell for to humble ourselves before god: becase of y<sup>e</sup> great drought we had; and y<sup>e</sup> Abominabell sinns y<sup>t</sup> did break out Amongs us and for y<sup>e</sup> preventing of great sicknes, y<sup>t</sup> was then coming Amongs us by reason of y<sup>e</sup> West India fleet y<sup>t</sup> was now com hether which brought the sicknes with them and y<sup>t</sup> the lord Blese y<sup>e</sup> kings majesty and prosper his desines: and put a stop to ouer enimis rage

July 21. 95, Marv Marsh  
owned ye Covent Augst. 5.  
95, Layd hold on ye Cove-  
nant James Haws wife Jos.  
Angiers wife.

y<sup>e</sup> sam day we had A contribucon for y<sup>e</sup> poor and ther was, contributed: 3 pound 6 shillings 9 pence

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november y<sup>e</sup> 19 93 ther was A letter sent from y<sup>e</sup> church of Deadham to ouer church to send messengers to them for y<sup>e</sup> ordening of m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Belchar for ther pastuer and it was granted and ther was chosen m<sup>r</sup> Danforth and Elder



Black decon preston deacon Toplif decon clap: y<sup>e</sup> day Apinted was the 29 of novemb<sup>r</sup> which day was kept and was messengers sent from 6: churches: m<sup>r</sup> Belchar he did begine by p[r]ayer: and preaching. and did mack A very exelent sarmon: his text was in y<sup>e</sup> 4 Exodous 11. 12 then after m<sup>r</sup> Tory m<sup>r</sup> hubard m<sup>r</sup> danforth layed ther hands upon his head. and m<sup>r</sup> Tory prayed: and m<sup>r</sup> fisk gave him y<sup>e</sup> Right hand of felowship: and soe he was ordeined pastuer of y<sup>t</sup> church.

December y<sup>e</sup> 21 93 was A publick day of thanksgiving Apinted by y<sup>e</sup> governor and y<sup>e</sup> counsell to be kept in all ouer jurydickcons for many marcy<sup>es</sup> we had receved from god for crowning the year with his goodnes and blesing y<sup>e</sup> fruit of ouer labors farr beyond our Expecktacons and giving health in ouer Borders and A present peas with y<sup>e</sup> Indians and A many other marcy<sup>es</sup>: the same day was A contrybucion for the pore in ouer twone and ther was given fouer pound and fouer shillings and comitted into the hand of deacon hopstill clape

January y<sup>e</sup> 28 9<sup>3</sup> ther was A generalle contribucon for some that are in captivity in turkey: peres Savage and Thomas Thecher and was given in Dorchester six pound ten shilings ten pence and it was delivered into y<sup>e</sup> hands of deacon Toplif to deliver it to m<sup>r</sup> Samuell Sewell esqr

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Aprill y<sup>e</sup> 19 94 ther was a publick day of humiliacon Apinted by the Governer and counsell to be kept in all our collones for to seeke god in the behalf of ouer selves and god people A Broad and that the lord would B[l]esse the kings majesty and prosper his great undertaking this year: and y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> lord crown this year with his Blesing and for the Rising generacon that god power forth his spiritt upon them and y<sup>t</sup> he wold continue ouer present pease

June y<sup>e</sup> 17 was A contribucon given in ouer congregacon for onne Robert carver that is'in slavery in Salley and ther was given fouer pound ninteene shillings and was put in to y<sup>e</sup> hand of deacon preston to be delivered into y<sup>e</sup> hand of m<sup>r</sup> John hawthron but he not meeting him att Boston did deliver into the hand of m<sup>r</sup> Bartelemew gidney he promising him to deliver into y<sup>e</sup> hands of m<sup>r</sup> hawthron as his Receitt will make it Apear

September y<sup>e</sup> 13 then layed out by Daniell preston



deacon: for A covering for y <sup>e</sup> pulpitt cushioning for	
plush . . . . .	0—17—6
silck 2 ounses . . . . .	0— 8—0
y <sup>e</sup> fring macking . . . . .	0— 1—4
for bying and macking . . . . .	— 3—6
	<hr/>
	1—10—4

october y<sup>e</sup> 7 was A letter sent from woodstock to desier messengers sent thether for y<sup>e</sup> ordening of m<sup>r</sup> Diwte to be ther minster and ther wer chosen nathaniell clape and Jeames whitte to goe with y<sup>e</sup> rest of y<sup>e</sup> church officers that were capable to goe

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October y<sup>e</sup> 31<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Josiah dwitt was ordenied pastuer of y<sup>e</sup> church of woodstocke Acording to y<sup>e</sup> order of the gospell. and y<sup>e</sup> custum of the chruches of new Ingland

november y<sup>e</sup> 29 94 ther was A publick day of thankgiving Apinted by the governor and y<sup>e</sup> counsel In all ouer juridickcon for many marcy<sup>es</sup> which we have receved for crowning this year allso with his Blessing and restoring ouer health and restrening y<sup>e</sup> malis of y<sup>e</sup> Indians and prospering ouer kings undertakings in france and ther was A contribucon for y<sup>e</sup> poore and ther was given three pound and 11 shilling.

December y<sup>e</sup> 13 94 ther was a publick day of humiliacon Appointed by y<sup>e</sup> Governer and the counsell in all this juridickcon for those manifold sinns that Break out Amongs us: and that god wold power out his holy Spiritt upon y<sup>e</sup> Rising generacon and y<sup>e</sup> lord Blese ouer Kings majesty and prosper his great undertacking and that y<sup>e</sup> lord Blese ouer Governer in his undertacking he being gone for old Ingland now at this time

Aprill. y<sup>e</sup> 7. 95 an order read from our deputy governer and consell. to keep y<sup>e</sup> 25 day of this month a day of humiliacon in all ouer collonys which day was kept and in ouer church was A contrybucon for y<sup>e</sup> poore and ther was given three pound 13 shillings six pence and it was comited Into y<sup>e</sup> hands of ouer selecttmen

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July y<sup>e</sup> 2 95 ther was A day sett Apart which was our lectuer day for y<sup>e</sup> Rising generacon (to pray for y<sup>e</sup> Conversion)

Agust y<sup>e</sup> 11 95 was A great contribucon<sup>n</sup> in many churches





for sune parsons y<sup>e</sup> wer in slavery Amonge y<sup>e</sup> turks and in ouer congreacion was given 9 pound six shillings & nine pence

ocktober y<sup>e</sup> 22 being ouer lecktuer day was sett Apart for the ordening of m<sup>r</sup> Joseph lord for to be pastuer to A church gathered that day for to goe to South Coralina. to settell the gospell ther and the names of y<sup>e</sup> men are thes

Joshua Brooks	}	of concord
nathaniell Billings		
william norman	}	Carolina
william Adams		
Increase Sumner	}	Sudbury
william pratt		
George foxe — Reading	}	Dorchester
Simon Daken — concord		

thes with m<sup>r</sup> Joseph lord did enter into A most solem Covenant to sett up the ordinances of Jesus christ ther if the lord caryed them saufly thither Acordinto gospell truth withe a very large profeson of ther faithe.

ther being severall messengers from other churches that day from Boston Rocksbury nonandon : millton : Dorchester : (charlestown) : thes messengers did meett together and did cary on that work withe great sollemnyty that day m<sup>r</sup> lord frist praying and then preaching out the 5 mathew 13 verse y<sup>e</sup> are the salt of the earth. after this y<sup>e</sup> minsters laying ther hands upon him m<sup>r</sup> morton did give him A very sollem charge and m<sup>r</sup> Hobert give him y<sup>e</sup> Right hand of fellowship

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and for y<sup>e</sup> help of bareing y<sup>e</sup> expences of y<sup>e</sup> day ther was A coleckcon in ouer congeragacon wherin was given 5 pounds 8 shillings

(Two days after y<sup>e</sup> ordination was y<sup>e</sup> publick ffast kept.)

22. 10. 95. An ord<sup>r</sup> for a Thanksgiving from y<sup>e</sup> leif : Gov : Councell & Assembly was read in y<sup>e</sup> Church To be kept y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of January next on account of y<sup>e</sup> Kings Successes against y<sup>e</sup> French in Taking Namur : &c — & on account of so much health & freedom from Indian & ffrench Invasion as we have had the Last Sum<sup>r</sup> & for that though Much of y<sup>e</sup> harvest was diminished Yet a Competency remained to Us. M<sup>r</sup> Danforth preached from y<sup>e</sup> 136 psalm & y<sup>r</sup> was gathered for y<sup>e</sup> Poor 3<sup>li</sup> 13. 8<sup>d</sup>.

Decemb<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1695. The Church for Carolina set saile from Boston Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at night the skiff was neer run und<sup>r</sup> Water y<sup>e</sup> Stormy wind being so boisterous. they kept a day of

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pray<sup>r</sup> on board: & safely Landed at Carolina Decemb<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>. y<sup>e</sup> oth<sup>r</sup> vessells had a Moneths Passage, this but about 14 days

Febr: 2<sup>d</sup>: Then was y<sup>e</sup> first Sacrament of y<sup>e</sup> Lords Supper that ever was Celebrated in Carolina, Eight persons recieved besides Such as were of y<sup>e</sup> Church by virtue of Comunion of Churches. and there was Great Joy among y<sup>e</sup> Good People of Carolina & many Thanksgivings to y<sup>e</sup> Lord.

The Good LORD prosper their Undertakings for His own Glory & the Good of Souls, for the Lord Jesus Christs Sake. Amen.

March. 22. The Church was acquainted with an Ord<sup>r</sup> from the Hon<sup>ble</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Leiftenant Governo<sup>r</sup> & Commander in Chief, Councill & Representatives or Assembly Sollemnly to Set apart Aprill y<sup>e</sup> second for pray<sup>r</sup> with fasting before y<sup>e</sup> God of Heaven to bewayle o<sup>r</sup> Iniquitys & to Implore His Mercys to pray that He would direct p<sup>r</sup>serve & succeed y<sup>e</sup> King in His hazzardous Enterprises, Defeat enemys, Smile on all o<sup>r</sup> publick interests & Changes, blesse our husbandry, become o<sup>r</sup> Defence & advance the Kingdom of Christ throughout y<sup>e</sup> World.

The Same 22<sup>d</sup> of March was read a Lett<sup>r</sup> from y<sup>e</sup> Ch<sup>h</sup> of Medfeild desiring Elders & Messeng<sup>rs</sup> to assist in Councill there on Aprill y<sup>e</sup> Seaventh next, to Endeavor to hear & heal some differences among them occasioned by the Aversion of some of y<sup>e</sup> Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church headed by 2 or 3 brethren to y<sup>e</sup> Proceedings of y<sup>e</sup> Church in Calling m<sup>r</sup> Baxter to be their Pastor.

The Church consented that Capt. Clap should assist as a Messeng<sup>r</sup> in that service w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>r</sup> Pastor.

1696 Aprill 2 was kept as was Appointed & there was contributed for the Poor 3<sup>li</sup>.

Aprill. 12. The Church were acquainted that their messeng<sup>rs</sup> met together with those of 2 Churches more and after a full hearing on both sides found of all y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants y<sup>e</sup> voted viz<sup>t</sup> 60 in all — fifty & odde of them to have voted for m<sup>r</sup> Baxter — & of the Church being but 25 Brethren 20 or 21 of them to have been & still to be for m<sup>r</sup> Baxter.

That y<sup>e</sup> Church had acted very leizurely & Condescendingly The opposing party very preposterously and their reasons for y<sup>e</sup> removall of m<sup>r</sup> Baxter Some of them Silly & unreasonable & some of them Ungodly & Pernicious & accordingly the Councill bore Testimony against them from y<sup>e</sup> word of God.



M. one reason was y<sup>t</sup> He was but a young man another was that He had not so loud a voice as some others (Yet it could be heard in most congregations —

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another reason was because some that had turnd away m<sup>r</sup> Thomson deserved to be requited with the turning away of m<sup>r</sup> Baxter (wretched revenge!) & another Reason was because two or three (or four at most) of the Church at the head of a Small number of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitants of the Town said they were dissatisfyed with his Guifts and Could rather take up with Some other Person and therefore appeared without any cogent reasons but their own wills to oppose y<sup>e</sup> Church & Towne & m<sup>r</sup> Baxter — A very ill president to oth<sup>r</sup> Churches.

For the light of nature shows that the majority Should Sway Acts. 27. 11, 12. And the Apostles settled Elders in Churches by the major votes of such Churches (manifested by lifting up of hands (keirotonesen) e i in the presence & by the order of the Apostles) Acts. 14. 23.

And to head a party against the Church is Criminall Rom. 16. 17. Gal. 5. 12. Heb. 12. 15. James 3. 14-16.

And what have they to doe to discern the Guifts & Spirits of Ministers & prophets [(subject rather to y<sup>e</sup> Prophets 1 Cor. 14. 32 The Guifts being given to y<sup>e</sup> Church)] that pretend not to be able to examine & prove themselves & discern the Lords body, nor have been approved of the Church, to be of age, wisdom & grace sufficient to qualify them to Vote, for even the Child, tho<sup>h</sup> an heir differs not in this Point from a Servant while under age, to allude to y<sup>e</sup> Apostles words.

In hearing the Case the Councill determined also that a Single honest Man — or a Party of men might be allowed as Witnesses sometimes in their own Case — according to Matt. 18. 16. Se also Joh. 8. 13, 14, 17, 18 for y<sup>e</sup> taking one or two more mak 2 or 3 witnesss.

June y<sup>e</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>. 1696. The Church met on y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> week as was appointed before. And after Sollemn Invocation of y<sup>e</sup> Name of God — & sufficient debates they Voted Clearly & fully & as far as we could se: unanimously

1. To Comply with the Advice of y<sup>e</sup> Assembly of y<sup>e</sup> Generallty of y<sup>e</sup> Ministers mett at y<sup>e</sup> late Anniversary of y<sup>e</sup> Election & y<sup>e</sup> day aft<sup>r</sup> it, To See to it y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Intervalls of Publick Exercises at Noons on y<sup>e</sup> Lords days be not profaned but well Improved in Pray<sup>r</sup> readings repeatings &c, by Such as





Stay in ye Meetinghouse. Voted by Lifting up of hands unanimously and that such as go not to Godly homes attend here dilligently.

2. That Deacon Topliffe, Deacon Clap, Capt. Clap, Leift. Tilestone, Serjeant Wiswall, Broth<sup>r</sup> Peirce, Brother White Broth<sup>r</sup> Leeds Bro<sup>r</sup> Leadbett<sup>r</sup> Br<sup>n</sup>: Eph: & Samuel Payson Broth<sup>r</sup> Dan: Preston, Bro<sup>r</sup>: James Blake, Broth<sup>r</sup> Roger Billinge, with oth<sup>r</sup> Brethren, be Desired to take y<sup>r</sup> Turns & be directed by y<sup>e</sup> Ruling Elder what Turns to take in this Good work. Voted by Silence.

3. That Such as Lye und<sup>r</sup> Church Censure be written unto by y<sup>e</sup> Elders in y<sup>e</sup> behalf of y<sup>e</sup> Whole Church, That their Crimes may be laid open before them for their furth<sup>r</sup> Conviction, and an Inquiry made what Effect y<sup>e</sup> ordinance of Excom<sup>m</sup>ication hath had upon Them &c. & y<sup>t</sup> Report of their Answ<sup>s</sup> be made to y<sup>e</sup> Church

m. John Spur Dan:  
Ellen: Nath: Wyat:  
& Content Masn are  
under Excommunication.

4 That y<sup>e</sup> Elders Should Signify, to y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court or Assembly, & to y<sup>e</sup> County Court y<sup>t</sup> this Church apprehends one Tav<sup>n</sup> besides m<sup>r</sup> Billinges & m<sup>r</sup> Whites to be Enough for Dorchest<sup>r</sup>, & to Advise y<sup>m</sup> with Arguments, y<sup>t</sup> we may be Stinted accordingly & y<sup>t</sup> none but p<sup>r</sup>sons of approved Integrity may be licensed.

M The County Court graunted y<sup>e</sup> Petition next term

The Same Day Sist<sup>r</sup> Patten formerly Lawrence Made Confession of Slandring Broth<sup>r</sup> Hix for Perjury & Lyes: casting contempt on y<sup>e</sup> ordinance of private Dealing by the s<sup>d</sup> Hix & y<sup>e</sup> 2 brethren, & Reflecting words & writings, to y<sup>e</sup> Elders & Her often indulging y<sup>e</sup> Corruptions & passions of Her Evill heart & y<sup>e</sup> Evill Language of Her hasty tongue &c — & it was to Satisfaction of y<sup>e</sup> Church.

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Item y<sup>e</sup> Same day Sist<sup>r</sup> Chaplain was called before y<sup>e</sup> Church, & Questioned for y<sup>e</sup> Sin of Lying again & again & off taking a false Oath before Justice Saffin. The Summe of y<sup>e</sup> Case was thus laid before y<sup>e</sup> Chh. One John Green alias Mores Glasseland Lent y<sup>m</sup> 6 pounds, & quickly after went to Rehoboth & Dyed. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Way a Boaston (or Boat-swain) y<sup>e</sup> Execut<sup>r</sup> of His Will brings y<sup>m</sup> before Justice Saffin on Examination about this 6th:

{ witnesse Tho: Birch Constable }  
{ Item Justice Saffin Himself }



They purge y<sup>m</sup>selves of all moneys & Estate of s<sup>d</sup> Greens given or lent y<sup>m</sup> or Theirs, by oath,—

(witnesses y<sup>e</sup> Copy of y<sup>e</sup> oath — attested)

Two witnesses Coming in against Them viz W<sup>m</sup> Behoe & Stephen Squire, Swearing y<sup>t</sup> Said Chaplain bid y<sup>m</sup> bear witness He had [borrowed] s<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>li</sup> or 20 pieces of Eight, of Said Green pointing to y<sup>e</sup> Man, Said Chaplain was Indicted or brought before y<sup>e</sup> Grand Jury for Perjury.

The Grandjury find IGNORAMUS. (witnesses y<sup>e</sup> Copys of y<sup>e</sup> Evidences & Court Records.)

Ensign Tho<sup>s</sup>: Woodcock Testifys He was there at y<sup>e</sup> Same Time with y<sup>e</sup> other witnesses & heard W<sup>m</sup> Chaplain bid y<sup>m</sup> bear witness y<sup>t</sup> He had borrowd s<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>li</sup> of Said Green pointing to y<sup>e</sup> Man. Item y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> said woodcock discoursing with Sister Chaplin about it in April 1695. She Said to Him y<sup>t</sup> Upon Her Complaints to said Green — & Her opportunity of a bargain of wines — He offered to lend y<sup>m</sup> Monys — & Let y<sup>m</sup> have 6 pounds, &c —

(See y<sup>e</sup> Testimony itself)

Sister Chaplain affirmed before y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> she knew (within 24 hours y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Mony was deposited) (long before She took y<sup>e</sup> oath) y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Said Six pound was freely Given by Said Green to Her daughter Mehetabel. That 'Twas a Guilt to Mehetabel. She also had from Time to time affirmed unto Deacon Samuel Fish<sup>r</sup> of Rentham Thomas Skinn<sup>r</sup> Senior, (Witnesses y<sup>e</sup> Testimonys)

But that 'twas given to Sister Chaplin herself She affirmed to Benjamin Palm<sup>r</sup> of Rhode Island & at one time to Ensign Tho<sup>s</sup>: Woodcock & His wife, & at times to Ebenezer Billinge — & to His Wife — (witnesses y<sup>e</sup> Sev<sup>al</sup>l Testimonys which expresse different Reasons of its being given Her &c)

Sister Chaplin Said She Remembered not that she Said such things to Palm<sup>r</sup>, Woodcocke, Billinge — &, as for y<sup>e</sup> Oath, when M<sup>r</sup> Saffin putt it upon Her She added [& more mony,] (intimating y<sup>t</sup> some mony was given to Mehetabel but not expressing)

It was Proposed to y<sup>e</sup> Chh & Congregation & to m<sup>r</sup> Kent of Swanzy one of y<sup>e</sup> affores<sup>d</sup> Grandjury particularly, y<sup>t</sup> if they had ought to Object Why y<sup>e</sup> Church Should not believe & take & proceed upon the abovenamed Evidences, that they should speak.

No Objection being then offered but a great Silence: (& some of y<sup>e</sup> Brethren speaking well of Some of y<sup>e</sup> witnesses y<sup>t</sup> were known to Them,) The Church Voted that they believed those witnesses to speak true & would take



their Evidence. Again they Voted & publickly Unanimously Manifested that they Judged Sister Chaplin to have been guilty of much falsehood & lying in Her Narratives & y<sup>e</sup> accounts she has given to one & to anoth<sup>r</sup> of this matt<sup>r</sup>, & also of y<sup>e</sup> Sin of perjury or taking a false Oath. And she still persisting in Her way notwithstanding what was spoken for Her Conviction — The Church voted y<sup>t</sup> she should be Admonished in order to Excommunication which was instantly done accordingly.

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1696. Nath. Searls of Little Compton Laid hold upon The Covenant.

Item An order was read for a Thanksgiving for y<sup>e</sup> Kings p<sup>r</sup>servation from Assassination & y<sup>e</sup> Land from Insurrection & Invasion & for y<sup>e</sup> Detection of y<sup>e</sup> Conspirators.

Appointed by y<sup>e</sup> Honble Lt Gov: Councill & Representatives to be kept Throughout y<sup>e</sup> Province this next thursday Sennight viz June 18.

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June. 18, 1696. Thanksgiving day. M<sup>r</sup> Welds the Pastor of Dunstable assisted our pastor here in y<sup>e</sup> aft<sup>n</sup>oon — (when was Collected for y<sup>e</sup> poor 3<sup>li</sup>. 5<sup>sh</sup>. 4.)

July 23. 96. A publick fast to implore pardon of o<sup>r</sup> many & great Transgressions & Sins, to beg our dayly bread & peace &c: Famine & War threatning of us. Appointed by y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton & y<sup>e</sup> Councill.

Sept. 8. 96. M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Wadsworth was Ordeyned a Pastor of y<sup>e</sup> first Church in Boston: To which ordination this Church Sent (as was requested of y<sup>m</sup> by that Church) (togeth<sup>r</sup> with their Pastor Ruling elder and Deacons) Capt: Clap & Leiftenant Tilestone.

Octob<sup>r</sup>. 11. 96. One \_\_\_\_\_ was dismissed to assist in y<sup>e</sup> Gathering of a Church at Cambridge Farms neer Concord where m<sup>r</sup> Benj Estabrook is to be ordeyned 21. 8 96. if God please.

Nov. 1. 1696. Deacon Sumn's wife & family & His Broth<sup>r</sup> Samuel Sumn<sup>r</sup> with His Wife & family with Peter O Kellys wife & Six Children Dismissed to to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Christ neer Newington in South Carolina (since called Dorchester.) M<sup>r</sup> How (formerly Clap) & M<sup>r</sup> Barrett (formly Woodland) Dismissed to Sudbury The Lett's bore date y<sup>e</sup> 9th of Nov. 96.

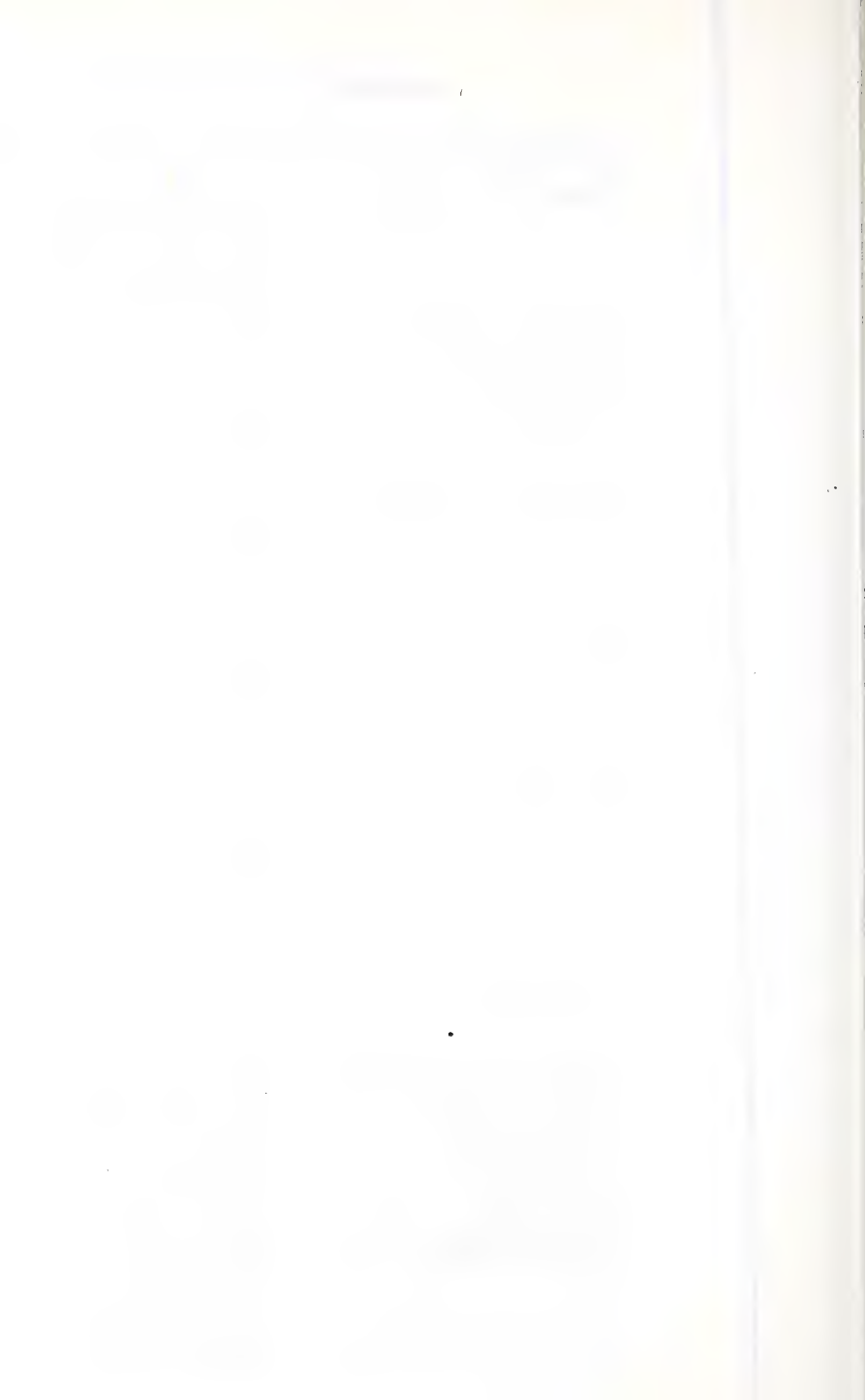
Since August last unto this Instant Decemb<sup>r</sup> 1696 These following persons (having been proved & approved by the Pastor & Ruling Elder as to Knowledge & Experience & by





y<sup>e</sup> Congregation as to Conversation) publickly took hold of  
y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

Young Nath : Glover	Samuel Pauls Wife John Minots Wife oliv <sup>r</sup> Wiswalls Wife Peter Hixes Wife M <sup>r</sup> Sunderlands Wife Peter O Kellys Wife Young Robert Searles Wife Young Goodman Peirces Wife Eliz: Breck Susanna Breck Christian Pelton
Humfrey Atherton :	Silence Rigby
Obadiah Swift	Mary Glover
Samuel Clap	Susan Wiswall
John Baker	Mary Wiswall Sarah Clap Hannah Clap
Young Tho <sup>s</sup> Maudsly	Hannah Clap Mindwell Weeks Repent Weeks Hannah Bird Unice Bird Mehetabel Jones
Joshua George	Abigail Ball Mary Ball Eliz: Davenport Thankfull Baker Hannah Paul Margaret O Kelly Mehetabel O Kelly Hannah O Kelly John Blackman's Wife
Praiseev <sup>r</sup> Jones	
James Trott	
Joseph Hall	
Item. January, 17. 96.	Eliz Clap sen ---
Dennis Maroh	Elizabeth Clap jun
Bernard Capen	Thankf. Topleff
Jabez Searle	Eliz: Topleff.
Irijah Wales	Sarah Capen
Isaac How	Mary Capen
John Payson	Mehet: Maxfield
Hopestill Clap	Alice Pope Anne Jones Eliz Hix Silence Foster Mary Evans:



Item. Jan<sup>ry</sup>: 17. 96.

John Spur, making an humble Confession, was absolved from the sentence of Excommunication which had been passed upon Him for His petulant carriage when the R<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Flint & Elder Humfrey Sent for Him to examine Him of His Knowledge & Experience, in ord<sup>r</sup> to His laying hold of y<sup>e</sup> Covenant — & when before the Church. & upon His Request was Dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Church of CHRIST at Tanton.

on y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Said Moneth was a Generall Fast by order of y<sup>e</sup> Generall Court wherein we were Directed to pray for y<sup>e</sup> conversion of y<sup>e</sup> Indians & for Pardon for Sins in The Time of the Witchcraft.

Then Collected for y<sup>e</sup> poor [<sup>11</sup>] 10<sup>th</sup> 00.

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febr: 4. A Generall Thanksgiving for Generall health & many oth<sup>r</sup> Publick mercys

#### Memorandum

Goodman Plum (admitted to full Co<sup>m</sup>munion in Rehoboth)  
Goodman Hill

& old Goodwife Wales (= but she sickned & Died)

Stand Proposed in order unto full Co<sup>m</sup>munion.

Febr. 21. 1696. Collected for y<sup>e</sup> Propagation of y<sup>e</sup> Gospell by virtue of a Breif from Authority y<sup>e</sup> Summe of to be putt into y<sup>e</sup> hands of Edw<sup>d</sup> Bromfeild Esq: as in said Breif is Directed.

Item Sent to Rhode Island )

To Pensylvania

To Narraganset

} the books then given —  
(by some in Boston.)

March. 21<sup>st</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> & 23<sup>d</sup>. 1697. Then Sat at Watertown a Council of 5 Churches whereof the Pastor of Dorchester with Leift: Tilestone & Deacon Hopestill Clap were members. The Councill Advized that there be one Church, 2 ordeynd Ministers, y<sup>e</sup> new meeting house to be for Church and Town, the old one to be Moved to y<sup>e</sup> Eastern Brethren for publick worsh: so long as 4: 9<sup>th</sup> or one third & upwds of y<sup>e</sup> Inhabitant-Freeholders continue to desire y<sup>e</sup> Same & y<sup>e</sup> ordination to hold accord: to appointm<sup>t</sup> (if they should agree to it)

They agreed to it publickly both Brethren & Inhabitants. March 22 at Night, to Witt as many as were p<sup>r</sup>sent w<sup>ch</sup> were y<sup>e</sup> Most of y<sup>e</sup> Whole (excepting 2 or 3 y<sup>t</sup> dissented apparently) But finding they differd y<sup>e</sup> day following the councill advized to putt off y<sup>e</sup> ordination untill both agreed, & in



case, to Call anoth<sup>r</sup> Councill to be indifferently chosen by both partys.

This Report was made to Chh on behalf of y<sup>r</sup> messeng<sup>r</sup>s by the Pastor on y<sup>e</sup> Lords day March. 27<sup>th</sup> 1697.

Aprill. 21. 97. Dorchest<sup>r</sup> Church upon request from medfield having chosen & Sent y<sup>r</sup> Pastor, Ruling Elder Capt. Clap & Deacon Topliffe to Sit in Councill with y<sup>e</sup> messeng<sup>r</sup>s of 7 oth<sup>r</sup> Churches to advize & assist abt y<sup>e</sup> ordination of R<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Jos. Baxter; on said day—they went accordingly & m<sup>r</sup> Baxter was Ordained their Pastor, no publick opposition being made, m<sup>r</sup> Fisk gave y<sup>e</sup> Charge, M<sup>r</sup> Thacher gave y<sup>e</sup> Right hand of Fellowship &c: & the Dissenters having in a Paper Highly reflected on y<sup>e</sup> last councill in medfeild y<sup>t</sup> sat a 12 moneth agoe as well as on y<sup>e</sup> Chh & on m<sup>r</sup> Baxter, & on y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>r</sup>sent Councell, declining to answ<sup>r</sup> before y<sup>m</sup>, the Councill advized the Chh in Medfield to attend y<sup>e</sup> Rules of Christ in a way of Church-dealing for y<sup>e</sup> Recovery of both Brethren & also y<sup>e</sup> Upgrown Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church that had appeared so Criminal = Also y<sup>e</sup> Church solemnly renewed y<sup>r</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> adding many Articles of particular Engagem<sup>t</sup>s for Reformation.

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March. 17. 98 A publick Fast after a very Long, sore, Sharp Winter.

Dec. 15. 98. A Publick Thanksgiving for a plentiful Harvest, (after years of Great Scarcity) Health, Civill & Sacred Libertys continued, Peace with y<sup>e</sup> French restored after long war, Indian Rage check'd: The King's Proclamation for and Encouragem<sup>t</sup> to reformation: As Per (Proclamation) ord<sup>r</sup> of General Court.

Then Collected for y<sup>e</sup> Poor . . . .

March. 23. 98. A publick fast by Proclamation ordered by y<sup>e</sup> L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>: & Council.

May. 7. 99. The Elder Proposed the Pastors desire of Help in y<sup>e</sup> work of y<sup>e</sup> Ministry.. & Some time before that, He Proposed for the Choice of anoth<sup>r</sup> Ruling Elder or Eld<sup>s</sup>.

(But both Motions dropped)

May. 7. 99. The widow of Henry Mayr (was) dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> North Chh Boston — & Mary Paine daughter of Broth<sup>r</sup> Pearse dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Church of Brantry:

Since o<sup>r</sup> Pastors Sicknesse in y<sup>e</sup> End of January last He hath had twenty & two Sermons of help without the cost of the Town to y<sup>e</sup> month of August





Nov<sup>r</sup>. 23. 99. A thanksgiving for Peace Health & Plenty &c: by order of Authority. Then Collected for m<sup>r</sup> Man minister of Wrentham who lost his substance by fire — 10<sup>li</sup> 1<sup>sh</sup> 4<sup>d</sup> (besides some gifts privately Sent Him.)

January y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> <sup>1699</sup>/<sub>1700</sub> The widow Mary Goodale made a publick confession of Her Sin of fornication now a 2<sup>d</sup> Time Committed & a profession of Repentance, that was accepted.

August 18, 1700. A letter was read from Boston South Church, desiring Elder & Messengers to assist in y<sup>e</sup> ordination of m<sup>r</sup> Pemberton y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Instant The Deacons & capt. Clap were voted to accompany The Pastor to that Service.

Memorandum. Fasting & Prayers at Braintry, Dedham & Boston having been graciously answered by Rain (after a sore Drouth) the last week Gods Goodnesse in Christ to Us therein was this day, particularly acknowledged.

Sept. 1. 1700. Report was made to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Pemberton was ordained to y<sup>e</sup> office of a Pastor on y<sup>e</sup> Day appointed, y<sup>e</sup> Elders & Messeng<sup>r</sup>s concurring & giving y<sup>e</sup> Right Hand of fellowship.

Sept. 8. Hannah Dean, daughter of our Broth<sup>r</sup> John Bird, took hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

Sept. 22. Hannah Bartlet took hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> as also did Unice Bird daught<sup>r</sup> of James Bird.

Octob<sup>r</sup> 13. 1700. The Chh sent y<sup>r</sup> Pastor and Brother Nath. Clap, Serjeant Leadbetter & Deacon Hopestill Clap. who were with (the R<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Thacher &) y<sup>e</sup> Pastor & one messeng<sup>r</sup> of Milton, viz m<sup>r</sup> Blake, 3 weeks abroad, at Newport & Compton, where Such as were Examined & Approved & Proposed for y<sup>e</sup> Discovery of y<sup>r</sup> Life laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> & they & theirs (y<sup>t</sup> were not baptised before) many of y<sup>m</sup>) were then Baptized. These laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant at Newport & were baptised. Capt. N. Coddington Esq<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> Joanne Brightman m<sup>rs</sup> Rob. Pocock. m<sup>rs</sup> Sarah Creek: m<sup>s</sup> Hannah Clark — Sarah Timberlake Jane Dill

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others y<sup>t</sup> laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> at Newport were M<sup>r</sup> Calender m<sup>s</sup> Calender, Elisabeth Caparon, Susanna Willet, m<sup>r</sup> Rich<sup>d</sup> Clark, m<sup>rs</sup> Mamford, m<sup>s</sup> Magewick,

But m<sup>r</sup> Wackman & m<sup>s</sup> Coggeshall only renewd y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>.

The Children Baptised were Patience, Thomas, Freegift, Sarah, Elisabeth, William, Mary, & Nathaniel children of m<sup>r</sup> Freegift Coggeshall.



John & Margaret Caparon  
 Susanna & Alice Willet  
 Abigaile, Elisabeth, Mercy, Mary, & William children of  
 m<sup>r</sup> Magewick.  
 Mary daugh<sup>r</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Wackman  
 Steven Memford. Jonathan Alice & Hannah Children of  
 m<sup>r</sup> Richard Clark. 27. 8<sup>m</sup>. 1700

At Compton there Laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant and were  
 Baptised those that follow, viz L<sup>t</sup> John Wood m<sup>r</sup> Edward  
 Richmond & His wife & Daughter Abigail, m<sup>r</sup> Silvest<sup>r</sup>  
 Richm<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> John Palmer & His Wife, Joseph Church's wife,  
 Nath: House, Mercy Rouse, Joseph Seabury, & Martha  
 Seabury.

Others y<sup>t</sup> laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> having been baptised  
 formerly were, m<sup>r</sup> Fobes & His Wife M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Gray, L<sup>t</sup>  
 Wood's wife m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Crandoll's wife, m<sup>r</sup> John Church,  
 m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Gray's wife, Nath: Searle's Wife & James Ben-  
 nett's Wife.

Others that were then (viz Nov<sup>r</sup> 3. 1700) baptised, were,  
 m<sup>r</sup> Fobes' Children, Elisabeth constant, mercy, & Mary:

m<sup>r</sup> wood's Children, John Mary Sarah Deborah Abigail  
 Margaret Elisabeth

m<sup>r</sup> Grays Children, Thomas and Edward.

m<sup>r</sup> Richmonds Children Edw<sup>d</sup>: Anne: Elisabeth Ame:  
 Benjamin: Mary

m<sup>r</sup> Jos. Church's Children, Joseph Nathan Alice Deborah,  
 Elisabeth

m<sup>r</sup> Palmer's Ch<sup>n</sup>: John Sarah: Elisab<sup>th</sup> Edw<sup>d</sup> Job Aaron,  
 Anne

Jonath: Davenports Children Jonathan Hannah Simon  
 Ebenez<sup>r</sup>: John Joseph Benjamin

Benj. Blackman's Children Benjamin, Ichabod Sarah Re-  
 becca Elisha

m<sup>r</sup> John Churches Child, Elisabeth

m<sup>r</sup> Hilliard's, Abigail & Sarah.

m<sup>r</sup> Woodworths, David & Grace.

m<sup>r</sup> Crandolls, Samuel & Mary.

Nath. Searles, John & Sarah.

At Newport & Compton Baptised 95 persons. wherof 64  
 at Compton.

Nov. 10. 1700. Then was a Proclamation Read for a  
 Thanksgiving on y<sup>e</sup> 21<sup>th</sup> of Nov. instant: from y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> L<sup>t</sup>  
 Gov<sup>no</sup>r Stoughton & Councill; for y<sup>e</sup> Kings life, & favo<sup>r</sup>,  
 peace from Indians & Disappointm<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>r</sup> plotts & for



Health & Rain in answe<sup>r</sup> to pray<sup>r</sup>, & a Comfortable Harvest; Esp<sup>ly</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> Gospel yet continued.

Nov. 21. 1700, then Collected for o<sup>r</sup> Poor.

Jan. 12. 1700. Francis Price laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>:

15. 1<sup>mo</sup>. 1701. Thomas Tillstone laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>:

April. 24. 1701. A publick Fast. (y<sup>e</sup> Governo<sup>r</sup> being deceased) & y<sup>e</sup> L<sup>t</sup> Governo<sup>r</sup> ill.

May. 18. 1701. John Maudsley laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>:

Aug. 31. 1701. Proposed to Elect 2 Ruling Elders.

Sept. 7. 1701. Capt: Clap & Deacon Topliff Chosen Elders & a Proclamation from y<sup>e</sup> Council for a fast on account of y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Stoughtons Death &c.

To be kept y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of this Instant Septemb<sup>r</sup> S. D. p. which was observed accordingly:

October. 19. 1701. An Account was given to y<sup>e</sup> Chh by y<sup>r</sup> Pastor y<sup>t</sup> 14 more were admitted to lay hold of y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> at Newport & 24 Baptised.

m<sup>r</sup> Thacher & m<sup>r</sup> Danforth (the messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Chh<sup>s</sup> not being then so well able to go with y<sup>m</sup>, & y<sup>e</sup> Councill being put under a Prorogation) went to Newport & preached one Sabbath & a Fast to m<sup>r</sup> Claps Congregation Examined & Approved divers that Presented y<sup>m</sup>selves, & proposed y<sup>m</sup>, whereupon (m<sup>r</sup> Thacher going to narragansett) y<sup>e</sup> next Sabath (which was October 12, 1701) m<sup>r</sup> John Miles & Hannah Perdue laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant: & those y<sup>t</sup> follow both laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & were baptised Divina Gratia in Christo viz M<sup>rs</sup> Mary & M<sup>rs</sup> Rebecca Coggeshall, m<sup>rs</sup> Bridget Sanford, Henry Butler, M<sup>rs</sup> Content Coddington, William Wilcox, Thomas Miles, Sarah Hoar, Mary Brightman, Content Norton, Catharine Hampton & Mary Loc. Besides these wer baptised, John & Daniel Miles: Mary Norton: Bridget & Elisabeth Pocock: Edw. Momford: Sarah Daddy: John Wackman Mary [x x x x] John Walke[r] Joseph Chanterlin.

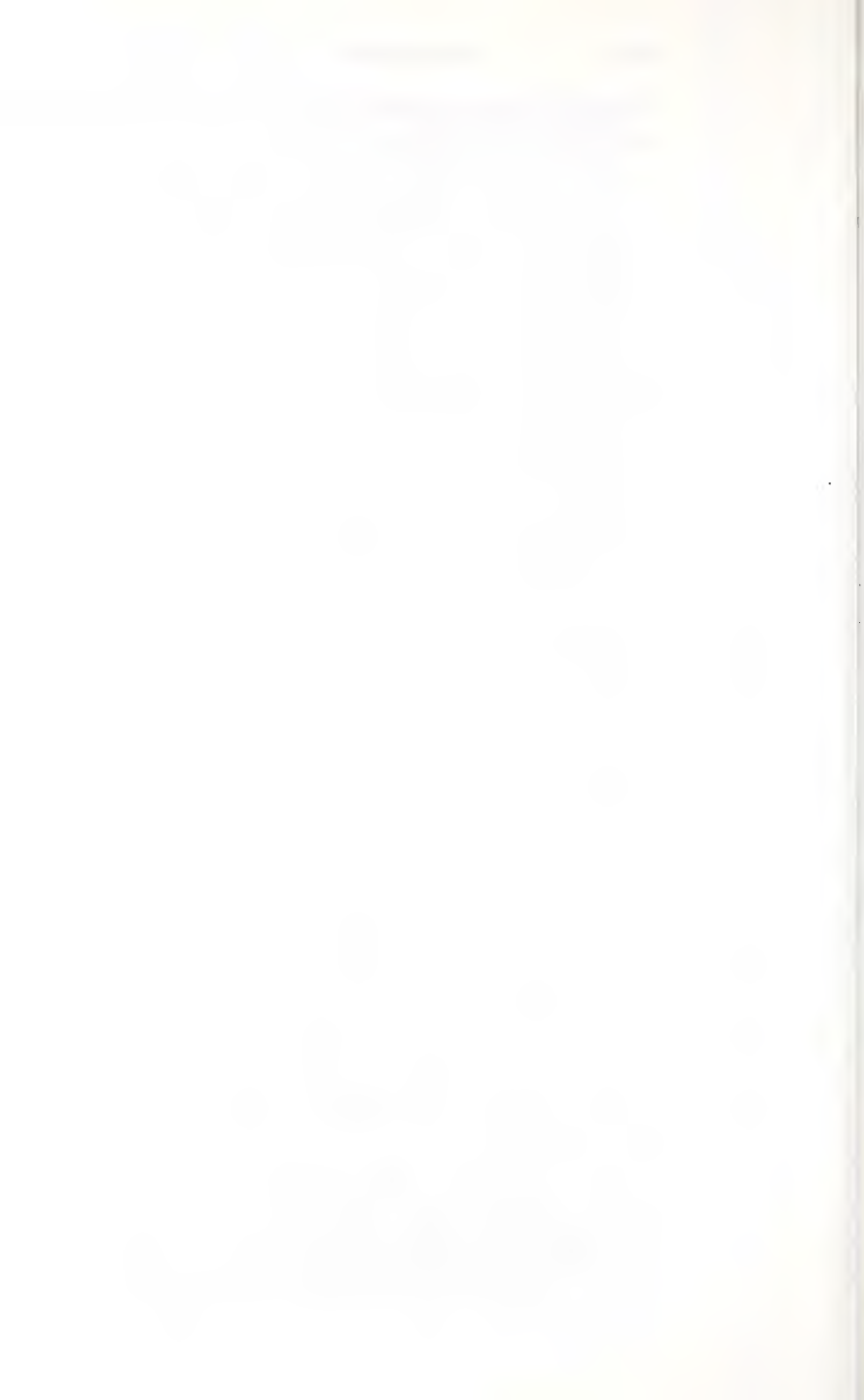
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Nov. 9. 1701. Dan<sup>l</sup>. Preston Jun<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Deacon.

Nov. 20. 1701. was a Publick Thanksgiving day throughout this Province.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 14. 1701. Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Full Co<sup>m</sup>municants renew y<sup>e</sup> Chh coven<sup>t</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> Ordenation—fast day intended to be shortly if God please=& y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Children of y<sup>e</sup> Chh y<sup>t</sup> have laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> renew y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> togeth<sup>r</sup> on y<sup>e</sup> same day. The Coven<sup>t</sup> being Read they are to stand up & manifest y<sup>r</sup> Assent: Also y<sup>t</sup> oth<sup>s</sup> be Examined Exhorted Pre-





pared & Propounded in orde<sup>r</sup> to y<sup>r</sup> joying w<sup>th</sup> oth<sup>r</sup>s in Professing y<sup>r</sup> assent & adherence to y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> of Grace, & submitting to Chh watch & Govern<sup>t</sup> here, while they continue in capacity for y<sup>e</sup> same.

Febr. 3. 170<sup>1</sup> Then was Kept by y<sup>e</sup> Favor of the Lord A solemn Day of Humiliation & Pray<sup>r</sup> & In y<sup>e</sup> Close of y<sup>e</sup> Afternoon Exercise

1. The Full Communicants Renewed y<sup>r</sup> Covenant according to y<sup>e</sup> Printed form, & some oth<sup>r</sup>s lately admitted then Entred into Covenant

2. The Children of y<sup>e</sup> Church Renewed Covenant & Near One hundred Newly Examined & Propounded Entred into or Laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> togeth<sup>r</sup> w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>m</sup>

3. m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Clap & m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Topliff were ordained Ruling Elders or Helps in Governm<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Church & m<sup>r</sup> Daniel Preston Junior was ordained a Deacon of y<sup>e</sup> Chh, y<sup>e</sup> R<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Thacher Assisting y<sup>e</sup> Pastor of y<sup>e</sup> Chh y<sup>t</sup> Day as in Preaching so in Laying on of hands.

4. His Majestys Proclamation against Imorality & Profanenesse was Sollemnly Read to y<sup>e</sup> Congregation

The Names of Such as were Examined allowed & propounded (before) for laying hold of y<sup>e</sup> Covenant on y<sup>e</sup> same Day y<sup>t</sup> oth<sup>r</sup>s renewed y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> (and on other days) were these

22. 12. 1701

Hannah Atherton	Hannah Alcock
Sarah Atherton	Mercy Bird
Edward Breck Jos. Butt	Mary Bird
Roger Billinge John Bradley	Sarah Beamont
	Elis. & Bebe Bird
John Billinge Benj Ball Mary	Butt Anne Baiton
	Hannah Brown
Nathanael But (Joseph But)	Mary Blake Elis. Baker
Joseph Billinge Patience Bird	Katharine Bird
Jonathan Chandler	Experience Clap.
(Edward Clap 22. 12. 1701)	Sarah Clap
John Capen jun.	Huldah Chandler
	Ruth Clap
(Elijah Danforth 22. 12. 1701)	Elis. & Hannah Capen
	Martha Cheyny
	Sarah Davenport
	Anna Foster
(Richard Hawes)	Prudence & Silence Foster
	Nath : Glovers wife & Elis. Glover







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Aprill. 2. 1702. Then was Celebrated & Observed a Publick Fast by Proclamation & Order from y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill to implore Pardon & Mercy for o<sup>r</sup>Selves & a Continuance & Settlem<sup>t</sup> of our Libertys, Chh<sup>e</sup> Colledge, o<sup>r</sup> Peace, Plenty, Health & Defence & Conduct for the Kings Majesty, Success to His Counsel, Parliam<sup>t</sup>, Armys & Navys. A blessing on y<sup>e</sup> Year, & Smiles on y<sup>e</sup> Protestant Interest, & to Obtain y<sup>e</sup> hastning of y<sup>e</sup> Gospellizing of all Nations, & y<sup>e</sup> Accomplishm<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Great things promised.

July. 21. A Church fast. (R<sup>d</sup>) m<sup>r</sup> Walter helped y<sup>e</sup> Pastor in y<sup>e</sup> Forenoon.

Aug. 9. Samuel Butt & Sarah Butt His wife & Patience Lawrence appeared before y<sup>e</sup> Church & penitently Confessed y<sup>e</sup> Sins of Fornication to y<sup>e</sup> Satisfaction of y<sup>e</sup> Church.

Aug. 30. 1702 A Contribution for Israel Hill who lay long ill of a Broken Bone & is still Lame. Then was Collected —

(The mortality at New York is Sore & Dreadfull.)

Oct. 22. 1702 A General Fast on account of y<sup>e</sup> war & Sicknesse at New York & Here

Me—in ab<sup>t</sup> 12 month y<sup>e</sup> Deaths at Boston amount to 500 or y<sup>e</sup>abouts.

Nov. 1. 1702 A Contribution for Obed: Hawes

Nov. 8. 1702. The Chh. at Duxborough's Letter was read, w<sup>r</sup>in they requested m<sup>r</sup> Robinsons Dismission to y<sup>m</sup>, & our Assistance in His Ordination or Sollemn Inauguration into His office of a Pastor, by Fasting Pray<sup>r</sup>, & the hands of y<sup>e</sup> Presbytery. Elder Topliff was Voted to accompany the Pastor to y<sup>e</sup> work on y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Instant which was performed then, together with y<sup>e</sup> Renewing of Covenant, & so many Men then Joyned, as doubled y<sup>e</sup> number of y<sup>e</sup> Fraternity.

Dec. 10. 1702. A Publick Thanksgiving & then was collected for y<sup>e</sup> Poor.

Febr. 18. 1703. A publick fast (Sicknesse still continuing & warre impending.)

March 14. Daughter of Walter Everinden & — who lives at Sam<sup>l</sup> Capen jun<sup>rs</sup> house

1703. Laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

March 21 wife of Everinden laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.





April. 8. 1703. A publ: Generall Thanksgiving for Her Majestys Successes by Sea & Land against y<sup>e</sup> French & Spaniards in Europe & America, many Ships, much Treasure & many Towns being taken.

Then Contributed for Goodwife Birch.

M<sup>m</sup> John Earl of Marlborough is Capt. General of y<sup>e</sup> Land forces James Duke of Ormond is General of y<sup>e</sup> Fleet forces & S<sup>r</sup> George Rook is Admiral of y<sup>e</sup> Fleet; und<sup>r</sup> o<sup>r</sup> Sovereign Queen Anne who came to y<sup>e</sup> Throne March. 8. 1702. But before y<sup>e</sup> Late King William y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> of Glorious Memory died, there were Sundry Societys Sett up for Reformation of Manne's, & behold y<sup>e</sup> Smiles of Heaven, upon y<sup>e</sup> Same, o<sup>r</sup> Nation being on a Suddain filld with plenty of Grain & plenty of Silver, (y<sup>e</sup> Plate Fleet being taken,) & plenty of Hono<sup>r</sup> & Victory, So that y<sup>e</sup> Queen has Invited Her Subjects in y<sup>e</sup> plantations in America to Rejoyce with Her & so Return Thanks to God.

Aug. 17. 1703 Our Lecture day: Kept for a day of Prayer in this Town & Church to implore Converting Grace for the Unconverted, & particularly for the Rising Generation; & to implore deliverance from our French & Indian Enemys who have lately made a great Slaughter, & Taken many Captives at y<sup>e</sup> Eastward, & to beg Raine from Heaven.

M<sup>m</sup>: God sent a plentifull Raine; Item Diverse of our Enemys have fallen into our hands. 8. 7<sup>m</sup>. 1703.

Sept. 23. 1703. Kept for fasting & pray<sup>r</sup> (a Proclamation from his Excellency Joseph Dudley Esq &c Governo<sup>r</sup> being Read before, appointing y<sup>e</sup> Same, Especially for to implore y<sup>e</sup> Divine mercy for The Queens Majesty the Protestant Interests in Europe, our forces now advancing against y<sup>e</sup> Enemy, & o<sup>r</sup> Fronteirs exposed.)

Nov. 7. 1703, John Maxfield laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covent.

Dec. 9. 1703. A publick Thanksgiving for Removal of Sicknesse, Continuance of Health, a plentifull harvest, y<sup>e</sup> Safe Arrival of many of our vessels from Engl: &c. restraint upon Enemys &c. Then was Collected for y<sup>e</sup> Poor 3<sup>li</sup>. 5. 3. & 2<sup>h</sup> $\frac{1}{2}$  Corn

Febr. 1703 Captivated from Deerfield, the Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> John Williams; & 96 more but killed by y<sup>e</sup> French & Indians



52 wrof m<sup>rs</sup> Williams one & some of y<sup>r</sup> Children & Eleven Souldiers some y<sup>t</sup> were sent to y<sup>r</sup> Garison oth<sup>rs</sup> (viz 5) y<sup>t</sup> came in upon y<sup>e</sup> Alarum & 14 men more Diverse houses burnt about 50 french & Indians kill'd as Col: Patrick's Lett<sup>r</sup> shows.

March 5. 1704. Jonathan Chandler Made publick Confession of y<sup>e</sup> Sin of fornication, to acceptance.

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May 18 1704 A Province Fast by Proclamation & there was a slaughter & captivation of People at Northampton six days before. We Read a Declaration for Reformation.

June 18. 1704 Experience Birch laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & a little before Anna the Daughter of Nath: Lion Laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

July 18, 1704. Our Lecture was turned into a Day of humiliation & Pray<sup>r</sup>—To Ask Converting Grace & to ask Rain in a Time of Drouth & wars—& oth<sup>r</sup> mercys. The Pastor being sick, M<sup>r</sup> Thacher & M<sup>r</sup> Walters Preached & Prayed & m<sup>r</sup> Cotton Mather helped in prayer. Mercifull showers followed. & in Diverse Churches hereabouts & as Convenient y<sup>e</sup> wheel of pray<sup>r</sup> has been & is now going, Audiat Dominus Amen.

Octobr. 22. 1704. We read a Lett<sup>r</sup> from the Church in Marlborow Requesting us to send our Elders & Messengers to assist in the Ordination of m<sup>r</sup> Robert Brick y<sup>r</sup> Pastor. The Chh officers, so many as could attend it were Sent.

Oct. 29. 1704. Account was given to y<sup>e</sup> Chh that Our Pastor with Elder Clap & Deacon Preston jun<sup>r</sup>, went & met in Council with M<sup>r</sup> Easterbrooks m<sup>r</sup> Clark & m<sup>r</sup> Rawson the Pastors of Concord, Chelmsford & Mendon & with the Brethren that attended them & m<sup>r</sup> Breck was admitted into y<sup>t</sup> Church on y<sup>e</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> day, Ordained on y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup>, The Presbytery laying on Hands M<sup>r</sup>. Easterbrooks giving y<sup>e</sup> Charge m<sup>r</sup> Clark giving the Right hand of fellowship, Our Pastor giving the Charge to y<sup>e</sup> Chh to doe y<sup>r</sup> Duty to y<sup>r</sup> Pastor & m<sup>r</sup> Rawson Calling for the Suffrages & votes &c. No man Opposing, & *God in Christ* most graciously Assisting.

M On y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> day at Night, M<sup>r</sup> Gardin<sup>r</sup> Minister of Lancaster was killed, one of the watch shooting Him by Mistake.

Nov. 23. 1704. A publick Thanksgiving for Defeat of Enemy's at home & in Europe, disapointm<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>r</sup> Expeditions against us, by Sea & Land y<sup>t</sup> many of them are delivered



by a storm on y<sup>m</sup> by sea, & by o<sup>r</sup> surprizing y<sup>m</sup> by Land into o<sup>r</sup> hands, y<sup>t</sup> a good harvest has been graunted notwithstanding y<sup>e</sup> Drouth, with Health & y<sup>e</sup> priviledges of o<sup>r</sup> holy Religion — Then was Collected for y<sup>e</sup> poor — 3 — —

M<sup>th</sup>. 10. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1704. The Decease of y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Clark of Chelmsford was publickly Lamented in a Sermon on Acts 20. 25, 37, 38.

Item the Revd m<sup>r</sup> Williams of Deerfield is still in Captivity, & Dunstable not yet supplied with a Pastor. Thus in y<sup>e</sup> frontier Towns are tokens of the Anger of y<sup>e</sup> Lord, from Deerfield to Dunstable.

March. 1. 170<sup>5</sup>. A Publick Fast by Proclamation.

March. 11. 170<sup>5</sup>. Upon y<sup>e</sup> Request of 46 men of Woburn (10) of w<sup>m</sup> were in full Com<sup>m</sup>union the Church Chose Their 3 Elders & Deacon Clap to Assist at a Council there to be Held, Volente Deo, on April 24<sup>th</sup> next.

April 12 1705 A publick Thanksgiving for the Queens Victory with y<sup>e</sup> Confederates & y<sup>e</sup> Governo<sup>r</sup>s Deliverances, & o<sup>r</sup> Late Exemption from molestations by o<sup>r</sup> Enemies.

April. 24. 1705. The Elders of Billerica, Concord Dorchester, Cambridge Farms, & Andover met (& m<sup>r</sup> Pierpoint of Reading & m<sup>r</sup> Woodbridge of Medford but Left us again) & y<sup>r</sup> were oth<sup>r</sup> messeng<sup>r</sup>s from Billerica Dorchester & Concord who Advised y<sup>m</sup> to forbear undue Reflections at Woburn & Directed y<sup>m</sup> to Restore m<sup>r</sup> Wyman if He owned His Rashnesse, after y<sup>t</sup> having an Opportunity, He did not make out His Charge against Maj<sup>r</sup>. Converse.

May. 10. 1705. The Messeng<sup>r</sup>s of o<sup>r</sup> Chh went to y<sup>e</sup> Ordination of the Reverend m<sup>r</sup> T. Bridge a Pastor or Teacher to y<sup>e</sup> first Chh in Boston.

May. 22. 1705 The messeng<sup>r</sup>s of o<sup>r</sup> Chh went to a Council at Sudbury who advized y<sup>e</sup> Silencing of m<sup>r</sup> Sherman upon Probation of His Good behaviour for a Time a few weeks only.

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June 1, 1705. The Elders & Deacons were Chosen by the Church to attend & conjoyn ye messengers of 5 oth<sup>r</sup> Churches as a Council at Meadford on July y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>.

June 5, 1705. The Sudbury-council met again (not at Sudbury but Boston) & voted to advise the Chh at Sudbury to depose y<sup>r</sup> Pastor, & forbid Him y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament.

June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1705. Ruth Kenny laid hold on the Covenant.

July 10 & 11 The Council at Meadford upon hearing of both partys Detected faults in both, Advised Confession, A Trial for Reconciliation in y<sup>e</sup> first place, & if it proved vain, then that m<sup>r</sup> Woodbridge & They doe lovingly Part.





M<sup>r</sup> Woodbridge (since y<sup>t</sup>.) has made Confession, & y<sup>e</sup> Trial Goes on.

(Sept. 11. 1705. A meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Delegates of y<sup>e</sup> Associations at Boston.)

Sept. 13. The Sudbury-Council met in Boston at m<sup>r</sup> Wadsworths & voted to withdraw y<sup>e</sup> right hand of fellowship from m<sup>r</sup> Sherman, & not to acknowledge Him any longer as a Minister of y<sup>e</sup> Gospel & y<sup>t</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Angier publish it at Sudbury on some Sabbath day.

The Same Day, The Delegates or Representatives of the ministers of y<sup>e</sup> Associations in y<sup>e</sup> Province -- y<sup>t</sup> came to Boston, agreed Sundry Things about Stated Councils, to be Communicated to y<sup>e</sup> Churches (& Pastors.)

Sept. 23. 1705. Mary Daughter of Richard Butt & wife of Eben<sup>t</sup>: Lawrance made a Penitent Confession of y<sup>e</sup> sin of Fornication with said Lawrance before marriage. & it was accepted by y<sup>e</sup> Church.

Sept. 30. 1705. Then was Read a Proclamation for a Thanksgiving for y<sup>e</sup> Queens life & victorys, Restraint of enemys from y<sup>r</sup> Injurys & outrages upon us, for Fruits of Harvest & Health & all Publick Interests & Enjoyments to be Observed on y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> of October next, volente Deo.

Oct. 21. 1705. The Widow Chaplain upon Her penitent Confession was released from the Censure of Admonition.

Nov. 11. 1705. Ebenezer Lawrance made a Penitent Confession of His Sin of Fornication with Mary Butt (before marriage) Committed, w<sup>ch</sup> was to Acceptation.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 13. 1705-6. Then was Read a Proclamation from y<sup>e</sup> Governo<sup>r</sup> & Council & a Command of y<sup>e</sup> Queen for a Thanksgiving thro<sup>h</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Provinces of Massachusetts Bay & New Hampshire for Her Majestys Victorys over y<sup>e</sup> French: y<sup>e</sup> Duke of Marlborough vid my Lord Chhhill being General of y<sup>e</sup> forces in y<sup>e</sup> Netherlands. y<sup>e</sup> Day appointed is Jan<sup>y</sup> 25<sup>th</sup>.

Feb. 25. 1705-6. Elder Topliff Paid to Deacon Clap of y<sup>e</sup> Churches mony that was in His hands Seven pounds Seventeen shillings & Nine Pence.

March y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup>. 1706. Elder Topliff Paid to Deacon Preston twenty Seven sh: & 11<sup>d</sup> in Mony & p Discount for monys laid out for y<sup>e</sup> Church 14<sup>sh</sup> & 10<sup>d</sup> — In full of all Church accounts. Item The same day Was paid to y<sup>e</sup> Said Deacon m<sup>r</sup> Preston with m<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Capen In Mony 45<sup>sh</sup> & 1<sup>d</sup>: & p Discount for w<sup>t</sup> He laid out for y<sup>e</sup> Poor of y<sup>e</sup> Town 19<sup>sh</sup>. — p Elder Topliff.

April. 7. 1706. Edw. Foster laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> & Then was Read a Proclamation for a fast on y<sup>e</sup> 18<sup>th</sup>.



April. 14. 1706. Margaret Cocks made a Publick Confession of Her Shamefull Sin of Fornication which was Accepted.

Aprill. 18. 1706. In y<sup>e</sup> Evening of y<sup>e</sup> Publick fast a Contribution for Joseph Hewens Jun<sup>r</sup> of abt 5<sup>lb</sup> wanting 1<sup>sh</sup>. At noon Old Goodwife Plum was buried.

M<sup>th</sup> This week a man in Tanton dropt down dead in y<sup>e</sup> street — & a Child there was drowned.

Samson Walters, a strong young man in Boston was found dead in y<sup>e</sup> morning Leaning ov<sup>r</sup> His bed

The Deacons Aged Brother in Watertown on a Lords day bowed to y<sup>e</sup> Minister coming into y<sup>e</sup> Meeting-house & sunk down — & so died — & of Late Time we have been alarumed from Heaven with divers suddain Deaths — one was drowned at Sudbury & not 2 foot of Water — At Braintry one Everet a young man was well & fell ill of a fev<sup>r</sup> & died in about 2 or 3 days.

April. 28. 1706. A brief declaring y<sup>e</sup> Sacking of St Christophers by y<sup>e</sup> french & y<sup>r</sup> miserable Condition Calling for y<sup>e</sup> Charity of Good People

May 5. 1706. Collected for St. Christophers — 10<sup>lb</sup>: 3<sup>sh</sup>: 10<sup>d</sup>.

May. 10. old mother Pelton buried — Sundry Slain & taken by y<sup>e</sup> Enemy at y<sup>e</sup> Eastward.

News is come y<sup>r</sup> Nevis is taken by y<sup>e</sup> French & set at an High Ransom of [ . . . ].

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October 13. 1706. Ebenezer Billinge junior laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

October 17. 1706. A Publick Thanksgiving thro'out this & Pascataway Provinces, for General, Health, Safety, Liberty, Harvest, & other Blessings, At home, for Return of Many Captives, & for Signal Victorys Given to o<sup>r</sup> Sovereign &c.

October. 29. 1706. The Aged & Pious widow Woods, Father Maudsly, & Father Pearse deceased lately.

November. 24. 1706 2 Letters one from y<sup>e</sup> Chh, y<sup>e</sup> other from y<sup>e</sup> Dissenting Bretheren in woburn Requesting elders & messengers to be sent to hold a Counsel there on y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of December were Read & our Church Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Elders & Deacons & m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Wiswell should Accompany y<sup>e</sup> Pastor.

Nov. 28. 1706. m<sup>r</sup>. Enoch Wiswal An Aged Pious & usefull Person Deceased.



Dec. 8. 1706. An Account of y<sup>e</sup> Result of y<sup>e</sup> late Council at Woburn was Given to y<sup>e</sup> Chh & of y<sup>e</sup> Effect of it, viz y<sup>e</sup> Restoration of Jacob Wyman again unto Full Communion upon His Confession of Some Fault: & It was Declared by y<sup>e</sup> Council of 8 Churches that none ought to be excommunicated except in very weighty & very Clear Cases, & y<sup>t</sup> upon y<sup>r</sup> private Dissatisfactions, Brethren ought not to withdraw from y<sup>e</sup> Communion of y<sup>e</sup> Church. we left y<sup>m</sup> in Peace by the mercy of the Lord.

Memorandum the Reverend m<sup>r</sup> John Williams Pastor of Deerfield & many Captives with Him returned from y<sup>r</sup> french & indian Captivity very lately in Answer to Publ. Pray's on that behalf: Gloria Deo in Xto.

January 12. 1706-7. A Letter from some Brethren in Meadford or Mistick was Read Requesting Council: The Chh Chose y<sup>r</sup> Elders & Deacons to attend y<sup>e</sup> Service.

Feb. 2. 1706-7. An Account was Given to y<sup>e</sup> Chh y<sup>t</sup> the Council of 4 Churches at Medford advised M<sup>r</sup> W. (woodbridge) to make a partic: Confession of His offences & His Opposers to Confesse y<sup>r</sup> offences, & Each Party in y<sup>e</sup> Town to Confesse y<sup>r</sup> heats & faults to y<sup>e</sup> oth<sup>r</sup> Party Or otherwise that m<sup>r</sup> W: & y<sup>e</sup> Town part Lovingly according to y<sup>e</sup> advice of y<sup>e</sup> former Council. &c.

Feb. 23. 1706-7. Voted y<sup>t</sup> March y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> be kept (at Dorchester) in fasting & Prayer to humble o<sup>r</sup>selves for o<sup>r</sup> sins & to beg for Grace & all Blessings for o<sup>r</sup>selves & oth<sup>r</sup>s.

March. 4. 1706-7. the Revd m<sup>r</sup> Fisk & m<sup>r</sup> Williams (lately returned from Captivity) preached, & m<sup>r</sup> Walter assisted in Prayer.

April y<sup>e</sup> 16. 1707. wednesday: Our forces being designed for Portroyal ag<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Enemy A fast in this & y<sup>e</sup> Next Province was kept by Publ. Proclamation & order (to implore y<sup>e</sup> mercy of the LORD.)

April y<sup>e</sup> 21. The Rev<sup>d</sup>. m<sup>r</sup> Torrey of Weymouth Deceased who had been 50 years in y<sup>e</sup> ministry an able painfull faithfull minister of Christ Aetatis Anno 76, or 77. He was born some weeks before His Time & was kept in warm Lamb skins till y<sup>e</sup> full prop<sup>r</sup> time Came.

May 5. 1707. The Aged Widow m<sup>rs</sup> Mary Maxfield was buried. Aetatis Anno 86 or 87.

May. 4. 1707. A Letter from y<sup>e</sup> Chh of Braintree was read requesting Elders & messengers to Come to Counsel y<sup>m</sup>; & with y<sup>e</sup> Elders, y<sup>e</sup> Chh Sent y<sup>e</sup> Deacons.

May 7<sup>th</sup>. The Counsil enjoined a Confession on y<sup>e</sup> South End Brethren & advized y<sup>e</sup> Town to raise maintenance for a





2<sup>d</sup> minister, & adjourned; Item they advized that when the Second Salary was settled they should be dismissed & allowed to Gather into a Church.

May 16. 1707. m<sup>r</sup> Nathanael Clap senior a Choice Man rested in y<sup>e</sup> Lord: & was Interred, may, 17.

June 2. 1707. The Braintry Council sate again & the South-End Brethren made a Confession.

June. 5. 1707. The Medford Counsil sate again at Boston A formulary of Confession was prescribed for m<sup>r</sup> B. W.

June 8. 1707. Broth<sup>r</sup> John Capen died. Interred June 10<sup>th</sup>

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15. 4. 1704 Patience Lawrence acknowledged Her sin of fornication: Twas Accepted, as a Token of Repentance.

✓ 22. 4. 1704 Richard & Sarah Withington acknowledged their sin of fornication before marriage: Twas Accepted as a token & sign of Repentance.

Aug. 3. 1707. The widow of Henry Mayr was Dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> North Church in Boston.

Aug. 31. Sundry Negros, Young Persons, voted to be Baptized, & one of them viz George Bush laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant afterwards.

October 21. 1707 Aged Fath<sup>r</sup> Wales was buried.

Nov. 12. 1707 Deacon Preston Senior of like Age viz 86 (or as some aver) 88 years was buried.

Dec. 11. 1707. A Publick Thanksgiving & a Collection or Contribution for y<sup>e</sup> Poor of this Place.

Nov. 9. 1707. Abigail Appleby formerly Swift Her Publick manifestation of Repentance of Her Sin of Fornication by a Confession was accepted by the Church.

Nov. 16. 1707. the Church Chose y<sup>r</sup> Officers with m<sup>r</sup> wiswal & Brother White to Assist at y<sup>e</sup> Ordination of m<sup>r</sup> Peter Thach<sup>e</sup> Junior to be Pastor of the Church at waymouth Performed Nov. 26. His Rev<sup>d</sup> Uncle m<sup>r</sup> Peter Thacher of Milton giving y<sup>e</sup> Charge, & y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Fisk giving Him y<sup>e</sup> Right hand of Fellowship. R<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Hubbard of New Town



being y<sup>e</sup> moderator of y<sup>e</sup> Church & of y<sup>e</sup> Council, their Ruling Elder Consenting to it.

October. 16. 1708. m<sup>r</sup> Samuel Clap Ruling Elder Rested in y<sup>e</sup> Lord, 74 years old Compleat, & some few days over, & near 7 years a Ruling Elder, a very holy, wise, able, upright, faithfull, humble usefull servant of y<sup>e</sup> Lord all his Days, & one who lived desired & now dies Lamented.

Aug. 23  
Aged m<sup>r</sup>  
Cheevers  
Schoolmaster  
in Boston  
deceased.

Eight days before Oct: 8. 1708. Died His vertuous wife m<sup>rs</sup> Clap with w<sup>m</sup> He lived in holy wedlock 49 years wanting about 3 mo: He sickned & went not to Her fun<sup>rai</sup>

Oct. 20. 1708. Our Brother m<sup>r</sup> Preserved Capen (a pious Person,) deceased

{ Oct. 14 M<sup>rs</sup> Trot of Boston  
died in Dorchester

Nov. 5. 1708 Aged mother Swift Buried.

Oct. 31. 1708. Humfry Atherton made Confession to y<sup>e</sup> Chh of His Evil in being overtaken w<sup>th</sup> Drink

Anno 1721.  
He made Con-  
fession again.

Dec: 9. 1708 The R<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> J. Hig-

Item y<sup>e</sup> w<sup>pf</sup>: m<sup>r</sup>  
Brown a little before

ginson dec<sup>d</sup>:

January 5<sup>th</sup> 1708, Elder Bridgham of Boston deceased:

Dec. 3. 1708 Aged Moth<sup>r</sup> Ball buryed: Aged 65.

Febr. 3. 1708. m<sup>r</sup> Stevens of Roxb: Capt: & Deacon buryed

Febr. 6. 1708. m<sup>r</sup> James Blake & m<sup>r</sup> Hopestill Humfrys Chosen Deacons, Deacon Clap having accepted of y<sup>e</sup> Ruling Eldership y<sup>e</sup> Sabbath before, whereto He was Chosen January 23<sup>d</sup>.

Febr. 20. 1708 m<sup>r</sup> Blake accepted but m<sup>r</sup> Humfry -- did not accept of y<sup>e</sup> Deaconship.

It Josh: Levars laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>.

March. 6. 1708 A contribution for Joseph Angier of Framingham.

March. 24. 1708. A Public Fast. Then were ordeined, m<sup>r</sup> Hopestill Clap Ruling Elder & m<sup>r</sup> James Blake, Deacon.

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April. 6. 1709. At a meeting of the Elders & Deacons. Elder Clap lately Deacon gave up an Account of His Distributions of y<sup>e</sup> Chh<sup>s</sup> mony to the Poor & for the Sacraments, Since His Last Account. & He delivered fourteen Pounds thirteen shillings & 3<sup>d</sup> into y<sup>e</sup> hands of Deacon James Blake (being mony of the Chh that He had not Distributed) One and twenty shillings & 2<sup>d</sup> of which was particularly contributed for the Poor.



Also Deacon Preston Exhibited His Account & Besides what He hath Distributed to the Poor & for y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament & Chh, He hath in His hands of Mony properly for y<sup>e</sup> poor, the Summe of four Pounds & 2<sup>d</sup> & of oth<sup>r</sup> Church Monys Rents of Land & Interest Sixteen pounds & nine shillings & a Penny. Some men also are behind in y<sup>r</sup> Interest mony. & the Principal Summe y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Deacon Letts out to Interest is y<sup>e</sup> Fifty Pound y<sup>t</sup> was given y<sup>e</sup> Chh by the Hon<sup>ble</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Stoughton Yett of Chh mony is Due to D<sup>n</sup> Preston 29<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>d</sup>

The Church hath Nine Pieces of Plate for y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament (2 Given by s<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton 2 by m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Lake, one by m<sup>r</sup> Thacher one by m<sup>r</sup> Isaac Jones one by m<sup>r</sup> Patten one by m<sup>r</sup> John Gingen one by Anoth<sup>r</sup> hand all of silver. In pewter the Chh hath 4 flaggons 4 pewt<sup>r</sup> Dishes one Bason & Tankard & 1 pewter Cup —

Agreed that a Strong Chest be bought to Lock up y<sup>e</sup> Churches Plate in

A Church meeting is appointed to be on May 11th 1709 to Impower a Committee to Run the bounds of the Chh Lands, & to Call Trespassers on said Lands to a Legal Account for y<sup>r</sup> Trespasses. &c.

May. 1. 1709. Lett<sup>s</sup> from North-Braintry Chh being Read the Hon<sup>d</sup> officers of the Chh were voted to attend y<sup>e</sup> ordination at Braintrey On May 18<sup>th</sup> & Assist y<sup>r</sup><sup>m</sup> as Requested.

Dorch: in N.E. May. 11. 1709. At a meeting of the Elders & Brethren of y<sup>e</sup> Church in Dorch. (A church meeting having been Lawfully warned to be held in y<sup>e</sup> publick meeting house on y<sup>e</sup> said Day.) Report being made to y<sup>e</sup> Church y<sup>t</sup> some Lotts had been given to y<sup>e</sup> Chh of Dorch: in N.E, the lines whereof have need to be Run & Settled, & If any persons have mistaken y<sup>m</sup> into y<sup>r</sup> own Lotts or any part of em: or if any persons have bought & Sold any part of any of em, or if any person has Cutt any Trees to y<sup>e</sup> same belonging, That it were Reasonable to have all mistakes Rectified, the bounds settled, & the Rights of the Church Asserted, auditted, recovered & Legally Secured, and all Damages — satisfyd y<sup>t</sup> have been done: On Consideration thereof, the Church then Nominated & Chose, Appointed and Impowered Hon<sup>d</sup> Deacon Preston, Deacon Blake & L<sup>t</sup> Samuel Paul of Dorchester, All & Every of them or Jointly & Severally, as their Attorneys, Agents & Trus-





tees, to Run said Lines that need to be Run, to settle y<sup>e</sup> bounds, of all & Every of y<sup>e</sup> Lotts & Parcels of Land, both upland & meadow, to y<sup>e</sup> said Church belonging, to Secure y<sup>r</sup> Rights, To demand sue for, & Recover Damages, or satisfaction for wood, cutt off of said Lands, also to procure writt of Ejection where there shall be need, & to prosecute whosoever (against y<sup>e</sup> Law) Shall be found Usurping on or deteining of Any of y<sup>e</sup> Lands or Rights of y<sup>e</sup> said Church, And all in y<sup>e</sup> Name of the said Chh: And also to Authorize Any Attorney or

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Attorneys under Them to prosecute Implead & Carry on, in y<sup>e</sup> Law & by all Lawfull Ways & means, unto full effect, all actions & things whereby the Lands of the Church & y<sup>r</sup> Rights may come to be asserted Judged Recovered & secured: & the Church Engage to Warrant & Defend Them in all they shall Lawfully Doe or Cause to be Done in the Premises.

Also we doe Authorize & Impow<sup>r</sup> our said Attorneys to make Sale of all or any of Said Lotts, (that is) the Small ones that Exceed not the number of three acres in a Lott & to graunt Deeds of the Same, In the Church's Name & Stead; & to purchase for the Use of the Said Church some other Lands, of value Equivalent, & that may be more usefull to y<sup>e</sup> Chh, with the mony that said small Lotts may be sold for.

Also we the said Church doe Authorize & Impower our said Attorneys, to demand, sue for, & Recover & Recieve to the use of us the said Church & o<sup>r</sup> Successo<sup>r</sup>s in Said Church, a Certain Legacy of Three Pounds bequeathed by m<sup>rs</sup> Burgesse alias Gurnet to be laid out in a Piece of Plate for the said Church.

Voted & Consented to & Done by the said Church of Dorchester this 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1709.

As attest J. Danforth. Pastor: Samuel Topliff, & Hopestil Clap R: Elders.

Signed by Us, In the Name of the Chh, At their Request.

Mem<sup>dum</sup> The Aged & Hon<sup>ble</sup> James Russel of Charlstown Esqr lately deceased

Item Major Brown of Sudbury Died May 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> 1709 & was buried May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Item News is Come of Her Majestys Intentions to make an Attack upon Canada which y<sup>e</sup> Lord Succeed to His Glory



& N.E. Safety & Peace for Christs Sake if it be His blessed will. Amen.

May 22. 1721. At a Meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Eld's. & Deacons. Elder Preston Delivered to Deacon Blake, 3 bonds from Eb. Maudsley for 29<sup>b</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> principal mony & from Richard Hall & Henry white & His Heirs for Eleven pound principal Each — Mony Given to y<sup>e</sup> Church by the Honorable m<sup>r</sup> Stoughton — to be Improved for the Church

He gave a Large & particular & Exact Account of His Expenses for y<sup>e</sup> Chh Amounting to — 27<sup>lb</sup>. 11<sup>sh</sup>. 2<sup>d</sup> & He delivered into Deacon Jonathan Claps hand = 30<sup>lb</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> = & He Gave Account of Church Rents of Land & Interest of Mony Lett out on Bonds w<sup>ch</sup> He had received Amounting to 57<sup>lb</sup>. 13<sup>sh</sup>. & 10<sup>d</sup>. with oth<sup>r</sup> monys formerly in His hand of y<sup>e</sup> Chh = 16. 09. & 1<sup>d</sup> So y<sup>t</sup> He has of y<sup>e</sup> Churches mony Still in His hand — 16. 01. 09

He Exhibited an account of Contributions & monys for y<sup>e</sup> poor, & of particular Disbursements upon y<sup>m</sup> & there remains in His hand of mony for the poor the summe of 2<sup>lb</sup>. 19. 1.

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He gave account also of a New Piece of plate given to y<sup>e</sup> Church for the Lords Supper by m<sup>r</sup> Eben: Withington & of 2 little Lotts Sold of y<sup>e</sup> Churches, & that the mony thereof is in Capt. Sam<sup>l</sup> Pauls hands.

Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Hobert of Newtown died. 25. 6<sup>m</sup> 1712 Aged 64 = g<sup>tly</sup> beloved & Lamented. He had an Hon<sup>ble</sup> funeral. Preached there about 40 years. Ordained 38 years. Vir Doctus Prudens Pacificus.

Deacon Blake at the same time shewd & gave an Account how the mony was disposed of & passed from Him which He had Received of Elder Clap in April the 6<sup>th</sup> 1709, & of other monys since Recieved but brought not in a full Account, not having Some of His papers about Him, but Supposes He may have 3 or 4 pounds Contribution-Mony & Church mony in His hands still.

Dec. 19. 1722. Elder Preston delivered to Deacon Clap at the Pastors house, the Summe of Sixteen Pounds in Province Bills & an account of 01<sup>sh</sup> 11<sup>d</sup> Expense in Journeying to and Returning from the Council at Abington, & allowed Him for His Expenses on the Poor (formerly) in



His Present Account, the Sume of two pounds & Nineteen Shillings.

Item He delivered to Deacon Clap eight & twenty shillings rent from Samuel Trescot of Mony belonging to the Church of Dorchester.

The Council for Norton. 29. 8. 1722 putt off unto Nov. 13. 1722. & Then Sat at Norton. And declared

1. That they took it as a good Sign that the LORD designed to Restore to y<sup>m</sup> the blessing of Peace that both Partys had engaged to be determined by the Judgment & advice of the Council.

2. That madam Leonard & Her Son were not guilty of Lying, in Saying to the Court at Bristol that y<sup>e</sup> Assessors had refused them an abatem<sup>t</sup> tho<sup>h</sup> they conditionally said they would make an abatement of their rates putting it off from time to time & not doing it. & that Brother John Skinner was in the wrong in Charging Scandalous Lying upon them, & in renouncing & abstaining from y<sup>e</sup> Comunion of the Chh at Norton about 2 years, & making trouble among them on that account.

3. That Our Churches being in Peace do usually before they Censure offenders Cite y<sup>m</sup> to appear before the Chh to show Cause (if they can) why they should not be Censured, which practice is according to rule, & y<sup>e</sup> Contrary is irregular. & That the Church at Norton passed y<sup>e</sup> vote of suspension on Brother Skinn<sup>r</sup> that Absented from them & declared His Resolution not to return to y<sup>e</sup> Comunion except they would Censure madam Leonard for Lying, which the Church could not se light for: & that this vote was passed without an immediately previous Citation, lest He Appearing with a party to agitate y<sup>e</sup> matt<sup>r</sup> in a time of Contention it might have Broken the Chh all to pieces.

However if Such a Case Should happen again so Dangerous to set a Church on fire, The Council declared that there advice would be that the Church should not proceed to a Censure without the Presence & Advice of a Council of Churches.

- 4 The Counsel Comended the Pastor m<sup>r</sup> Avery for Asking Advice of the Aged Pastor of Taunton & other ministers of the Association.

5. And declared Him innocent





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of the Partiality & oth<sup>r</sup> faults Charged upon Him. And that He had been unreasonably and most unworthily reproached & grieved.

6. The Council advized to a Conformity unto y<sup>e</sup> Rules laid down from Gods holy word in y<sup>e</sup> Synod that met at Boston Anno Domini 1662, in the Case of Thomas Skinner.

7. The Council Declared against y<sup>e</sup> prosecuting in y<sup>e</sup> Law of any Single Evidences y<sup>t</sup> were called to Testify before y<sup>e</sup> Council—It tending to revive y<sup>e</sup> flames of Strife among y<sup>m</sup>: and alledged strong Arguments in y<sup>t</sup> matter.

8 The Council declared that the taking of Examinations of Persons desirous to Come to y<sup>e</sup> Lords Table or to lay hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> belonged to y<sup>e</sup> Elders.

9 That Complaint brought to y<sup>e</sup> Elders twas most Eligible they should be Exhibited in writing: And that if the Pastor thought fit, they might be brought to y<sup>e</sup> Church, to be there sifted by proper Interrogatorys.

10 They declared in these words viz We think the Pastor & other Elders, or in want of Elders, the Deacons, or other principal members, may have the first Cognizance of Cases:

and that they should Issue such as they find issuable by them, according to Scripture rule: and that they are not bound to give the Church the first hearing of every Case, or of any Case; yea of many Cases not to give them the — hearing at all.

11 The Council Judged that Bro<sup>r</sup>: John Skinn<sup>r</sup> should humble Himself & repent, & Confesse &c and promise Reformation, & then they advized the Chh to take off y<sup>e</sup> Censure: And Charged all to live in Love & Peace & to Love, Hono<sup>r</sup>, Pray for, Subsist & labo<sup>r</sup> to Edify by the Preachings of y<sup>r</sup> pastor

Item The Council declared in these words und<sup>r</sup> the 3<sup>d</sup> Article——As for the Silential vote without Lifting up of hands——“In Sundry Cases we Judge it the best way “of voting, Conducing most to the Glory of God, & the “peace & Good of the Church.

and The Result of the Council was signed by m<sup>r</sup> Peter Thacher Pastor of Milton—moderator & m<sup>r</sup> John Danforth Pastor of Dorchester—& m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Baxter Pastor of Meadfield—& m<sup>r</sup> John Swift Pastor of Framingham—& m<sup>r</sup> Richard Billings Pastor of Little Compton & m<sup>r</sup> Daniel Preston, a Ruling Elder in Dorchester, & m<sup>r</sup> Manasseh Tucker a Deacon in Milton, & m<sup>r</sup> John Wadsworth a Deacon in Milton, & m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Gulliver Captain in Milton & m<sup>r</sup>





Eleazar Wheelock Captain of Medfield & M<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Clap a Deacon in Dorchester — & M<sup>r</sup> William Pebody Deacon of Compton & M<sup>r</sup> Samuel How L<sup>t</sup> — of Framingham & M<sup>r</sup> Isaac Clark L<sup>t</sup> — of Framingham & M<sup>r</sup> George Barber Deacon of Meadfield.

M<sup>m</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Skinn<sup>r</sup> made His Confession & the Chh made Peace together by the blessing of God.

Dec. 11. 1722.

A Council of three Churches at Abington, viz of Milton, Dorchester, & the North part of Braintree met & after Publick Hearing of the Case, vindicated the Pastor & Church at Abington & Judged W<sup>m</sup> Hersey jun<sup>r</sup> & his wife to have been guilty of fornication before marriage, & if they should manifest Repentance, advized y<sup>e</sup> Pastor viz the Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Brown & the Church to allow 'em to lay hold on the Covenant & the said W<sup>m</sup> Hersey jun<sup>r</sup> said that He never would deny that He had the Carnal Knowledge of Her body before that day that they were married together: & by Sundry sworn evidences it was proved that their first Child had a full grown body Ripe for the birth & long hair & hard nails, & Cryd & fed well when it was first born, tho<sup>h</sup> born but five months & nine days from its parents marriage, & the women made oath before Justice Edson & the Council before we went to the Meeting House, that they believed no Child ever attained to such ripenesse & perfections at 5 months & nine days from y<sup>e</sup> Conception.

Jan<sup>y</sup>. 30. 1722-23. At South Brantrey A Council of five Churches Justify'd Regular Singing: whereof were y<sup>e</sup> Elders & messengers of the Church at Dorchester

Feb. 12. 1722: 23

The Council Justified the Proceedings of m<sup>r</sup> Swift the Pastor, & of His Church at Framingham & advised Deacon Heimenway to Confesse His faults & repent & reform.

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Febr. 12. 1722-23.

A Council of 5 Churches at Framingham

Oct. 29. 1724. A Council of Churches at Abington, Directed that m<sup>r</sup> William Hersey Should have baptisme for His Children in Abington or any other orthodox Chh upon His & His wife Signing & Presenting a Confession approved by the Council, & laying hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.



memorandum. m<sup>r</sup> Philip withington & Deacon Hopestill Clap only went to that Council of all those who were Sent from the Church of Dorchester.

Oct. 27. 1724 A Council of Churches at Boston of Nine Churches

The Pastor, Ruling Elders & 3 Deacons & m<sup>r</sup> Philip withington were present as Messengers from Dorchester Church

The Council on Hearing of the Messengers from Portsmouth & Ipswich Judged it for the Interests of Religion that m<sup>r</sup> Fitch Pastor of Ipswich should remove to Portsmouth in New Hampshire, & Sent y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Thacher of Milton with Sundry others of the Council to Solicit y<sup>e</sup> Church of Ipswich to Consent thereunto.

The Said Council met again at D<sup>r</sup> Mathers upon Adjournm<sup>t</sup> Nov. 17. 1724. and voted that they advized m<sup>r</sup> Fitch to ask a Dismission from Ipswich to Portsmouth & advized the Chh of Ipswich to grant it to Him. but if in that way it could not be obtained they declare<sup>d</sup> that it appeared neverthesse that m<sup>r</sup> Fitch has a Call in Providence to Portsmouth, to which He ought not to Return a Negative Answer.

And y<sup>e</sup> Council further Adjourned to y<sup>e</sup> last Tuesday in January Next or to meet Sooner at y<sup>e</sup> Call of the Moderator.

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May. 4. 1724. Leased out to Samuel Trescot & His Heirs & assigns of Milton Six Acres Saltmarsh — Meadow by m<sup>r</sup> Wilsons Farm — for Seven Years — for 30<sup>th</sup> per Annum, by Elder Preston, D<sup>n</sup> Blake & Cap<sup>t</sup> Paul.

At a Meeting of the first Church in Dorch. N. E. Lawfully warned by y<sup>e</sup> Deacons, & Convened in the Publick Meeting House, May. 18. 1724: (It is Called the First Church to distinguish it from y<sup>e</sup> New Church at Punkapog)

1. That y<sup>e</sup> Deacons keep y<sup>e</sup> Contribution-mony for the LORDS Supper & the mony, & revenues appropriated to y<sup>e</sup> Poor & Necessitous, & the oth<sup>r</sup> Monys & Revenues of the Church Distinct the one from y<sup>e</sup> other, & keep distinct accounts of y<sup>m</sup>.

Voted in the Affirmative.

2. That y<sup>e</sup> Deacons advize with the Elders, & sometimes with some of y<sup>e</sup> Principal Brethren also (as formerly has been Done, what Poor Persons they should distribute to, & how much they should Give 'em.



Voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative.

3. That The Deacons give account (as is Usual) from Time to time of the Church-Plate, of monys & rents they recieve, & of y<sup>e</sup> Distributions & layings out of monys for the Ends y<sup>t</sup> they were given to, & what mony or other things belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Church are in y<sup>e</sup> Deacons hands: & that the Same be Entred in to the Churches Book of Records.

Voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative.

4. That the Deacons inform themselves what Lotts & rights of Land do belong to the Church, & that the Same be Entred into y<sup>e</sup> Church-book of Records.

Voted in the Affirmative.

5. That it be left to y<sup>e</sup> Deacons Discretion to Let out mony or lands, belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Church from year to year or for term of years. Voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative.

6. That y<sup>e</sup> Deacons Se to y<sup>e</sup> New running of lines between y<sup>e</sup> Chhs Lands & y<sup>e</sup> Lots y<sup>t</sup> bound upon y<sup>m</sup> voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative.

7. That of y<sup>e</sup> Churches revenues the Deacon adde so much to ye 40<sup>th</sup> bequeathed by an Aged Brother (old m<sup>r</sup> Williams) deceased, as may produce a midling new silver Cup for y<sup>e</sup> LORDS Table. voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative.

8. That y<sup>e</sup> Deacons use Legal Means to secure the Churches Rights in that part of the Churches Lot in y<sup>e</sup> 3 divisions & quarter at y<sup>e</sup> South End of it which m<sup>r</sup> Dañons fence incroaches upon.

Voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative.

9. That y<sup>e</sup> Deacons shall make Sale of a Small Church-lott in y<sup>e</sup> first Division, the bounds whereof are lost & the monys that shall be paid for y<sup>e</sup> same to be kept under Improvement for the Church, & finally to be laid out in purchasing of Land for y<sup>e</sup> Church.

voted in the Affirmative.

10. That as to the old trees or Trees lying on y<sup>e</sup> Ground in y<sup>e</sup> Chh<sup>s</sup> 30 or 40 acre lot by John Davenports, & in y<sup>e</sup> Churches lot by m<sup>r</sup> Dañons The Deacons make Sale of y<sup>e</sup> Shiptimber & other Timber in y<sup>m</sup> & make Sale also of w<sup>t</sup> is left of y<sup>e</sup> Said old Trees & of trees broken & lying on y<sup>e</sup> Ground; & that y<sup>e</sup> monys that they shall recieve for y<sup>e</sup> Same be kept under Improvement for the use of y<sup>e</sup> Church.

Voted in the affirmative.

11. That If any one of y<sup>e</sup> Deacons be ill & absent & attend not in y<sup>e</sup> Services forementioned, the oth<sup>r</sup> two Deacons Shall have Sufficient pow<sup>r</sup> to act validly in y<sup>e</sup> premises. voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative





12. Forasmuch as Elder Preston Deacon Blake and Capt: Paul Gave an account of y<sup>r</sup> Running of lines Setling of bounds of Church lots, & Demanding the Church-land y<sup>r</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Dañon has fenced in, & of their Selling of 3 Small Lotts, one for Eleven pounds & another for Eleven Pounds, & another for ten Pounds, The mony und<sup>r</sup> Improvm<sup>t</sup> & the bonds for it in Capt. Pauls hands for y<sup>e</sup> Chhs use,

That y<sup>e</sup> Said Elder, Deacon, & Captain be paid for y<sup>r</sup> Trouble & Labour.

Voted in the Affirmative.

13. It was left to Consideration whether the Church will give 3 or 4 pounds per Annum to Subsist y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Moody or some other in preaching at the Town of Providence.

The meeting began & Ended with pray<sup>r</sup> & blessing.

And the Church Meeting for their Temporal Affairs, was adjourned unto the Monday of the week before the Election to be in Year of o<sup>r</sup> *Lord* one thousand Seven hundred twenty five if God please.

May 22. 1724. At a meeting of y<sup>e</sup> Elders & Deacons. Hon<sup>d</sup> Deacon Blake gave an account of mony He had recieved, & of Some taken away by a Burglarer who broke prison at Cambridge—who is said to have dyed since beyond the Seas, and there remained in His hands Seven Pounds Nine shillings & 4<sup>d</sup> Church-Mony—besides Three pounds three shillings & six pence of Mony for the poor; Item He gave an account of 3 Bonds, one from Eben<sup>r</sup> Maudsley for 30<sup>lb</sup> & Interest. Another from m<sup>r</sup> Henry White for Eleven pounds & Interest Another from m<sup>r</sup> Rich<sup>d</sup> Hall for Eleven pounds & Interest. Item a bill on y<sup>e</sup> Said bond on y<sup>e</sup> back side:

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Deacon Blake still keeps the Thirty Pound bond from m<sup>r</sup> Maudsley aforesaid in His Hand for the Church. The oth<sup>r</sup> two Bonds He delivered to the Other two Deacons for the Church

Item the Three Hon<sup>d</sup> Deacons recieved of the Executors of Hon<sup>d</sup> Deacon Jonathan Clap forty six pounds Eleven shillings & 8<sup>d</sup> lately & seven Shillings for Rent.

Memorandum. Deacon Hopestill Clap & Deacon Nath: Topliff have Each of y<sup>m</sup> of the Chhs Mony in y<sup>r</sup> hands &



Care—y<sup>e</sup> Summe of twenty nine pounds Six shillings & 2<sup>d</sup>:  
Total 58. 12<sup>sh</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> besides y<sup>e</sup> bonds above mentioned.

Item Deacon Blake has a bond of 10 pounds from Isaac Royal with Interest.

Item Deacon Clap has a Bond for Capt<sup>a</sup>. Paul to pay 14<sup>lb</sup>—6<sup>h</sup> principal with the Interest.

Item Capt. Paul is to Get Security from m<sup>r</sup> Talbot for y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>lb</sup> & 7 years Interest in His Hands: The Articles above-written, all for the use of the Church.

May 31. 1725 At a Chh Meeting voted

1. That Capt. Pauls account of Chh Lands then Read to y<sup>e</sup> Chh should be recorded in this Book (Except y<sup>t</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> twelve Divisions w<sup>h</sup> needs to be further Enquired after) with six acres of Salt meadow in Milton & y<sup>e</sup> Lotts in y<sup>e</sup> 25 Divisions & in y<sup>e</sup> Supplement & in y<sup>e</sup> Swamps & Meadow Bottoms.

2. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Deacons should Clear y<sup>t</sup> part of y<sup>e</sup> Lot by John Davenports y<sup>t</sup> is now in fence for pasture or meadow & Lett it out to best advantage, also that they Should Sell y<sup>e</sup> Timber & oth<sup>r</sup> wood Cleard off from it & improve y<sup>e</sup> mony for y<sup>e</sup> Use of y<sup>e</sup> Chh.

3. voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Deacons may lett an acre of y<sup>e</sup> Chh Lot at m<sup>r</sup> Daimons, & not sell it at present, unto m<sup>r</sup> Daimon.

4. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Deacon sell 3 Small Lots viz. One near Col. Spurs & 2 at Dorchester neck.

& keep y<sup>e</sup> mony und<sup>r</sup> improvement for y<sup>e</sup> Chhs use.

5. Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> printed proposals now read for an Evangelical Chh Treasury [&c]—Esp—to subsist preaching at Providence be Communicated to y<sup>e</sup> Congregation.

6. voted that y<sup>e</sup> Deacons represent y<sup>e</sup> Chh in Making Subdivisions, & running bounds of Chh Lands in y<sup>e</sup> 25 Divisions & Supplement & Swamps & Meadow bottom.

7. Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Deacons recon 13<sup>sh</sup> in publick bills instead of an ounce of Silver mony in bonds & that they take y<sup>e</sup> interest of 5 per Cent.

8. voted & Granted ten pounds for y<sup>e</sup> Rebuilding of y<sup>e</sup> Revd m<sup>r</sup> Richard Math<sup>r</sup>, minister of Dorchester His Tomb—of Stone. The Deacons to do it.

9. A proposal for Pray<sup>r</sup> with fasting for pardon of all o<sup>r</sup> Sins & for y<sup>e</sup> pouring out of y<sup>e</sup> Holy Spirit & Concerning



Renewing o<sup>r</sup> Chh Covenant for Reformation & for bringing all o<sup>r</sup> People y<sup>e</sup> we can into Engagem's against particular Evils — Made = & refered to furth<sup>r</sup> Consideration.

The following is a true Copie from Dorch. Town Records that is an Extract as attests Samuel Paul Town Clerk.

1. In the Neck of Land called Dorchest<sup>r</sup> Neck.

David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods.

2. In the First Division

Lot 61. David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods

3. In y<sup>e</sup> Second Division

Lot Number 32 David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods.

4. In the 3<sup>d</sup> Division

Lot Number 22. David Price 2 acres 2 quarters 12 rods

5. In the Six Divisions April. 13. 1660.

Num<sup>b</sup> 65. present possessor { y<sup>e</sup> original In a Single Division  
David Price 2 acres. 2 qrs. 12 r. }  
Church Lot { M<sup>rs</sup> Tilly 4 acres. 0 qrs. 30 r. } total 40 acr  $\frac{1}{4}$  12 r.

6. In y<sup>e</sup> 3 Divisions & quarter. (Apr. 13. 1660.)

present possessor { David Price Single Divis: 2 acr. 2q. 12r. } 21 acr.  
Numb. 41 Church Lot { M<sup>rs</sup> Tilly 4 acr. 30 r. } Total }  $\frac{1}{4}$ . 36r.

7. In y<sup>e</sup> Meadow

David Price 2 acr  $\frac{1}{2}$ . 12 r. = 2. 0. 9  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Present Possessor Chh Lot M<sup>rs</sup> Tilly 4 acr 30 r.

8. In Purgatory Swamp.

Church Lot (1.) Two acres three q<sup>rs</sup>. 37 rod.

9. In y<sup>e</sup> 12 Divisions.

Number 18. Price & Tilly.

To the abovewritten are to be Added

10. In y<sup>e</sup> 25 Divisions of Upland in Dorch. New Grant marked with y<sup>e</sup> Lett<sup>r</sup> C

Price & Tilly  $\begin{matrix} a & q^r & r^d \\ 75 & -0- & 00 \end{matrix} \left\{ \begin{matrix} a^r \\ 125. \text{ laid out in } y^e 23^d \end{matrix} \right.$   
William Daniel  $\begin{matrix} a^r & q^r & r \\ 50 & -0- & 00 \end{matrix} \left\{ \begin{matrix} \text{Range of Lots near wrentham} \end{matrix} \right.$

11. In Meadow Bottom one Division & an half — Price & Tilly 3 acres in a single Division. John Holbrook, Tho. Holman, John Fenno, Price & Tille, w<sup>m</sup> Chaplain Sam. Wadsworth W<sup>m</sup> Daniel Jasper Rush W<sup>m</sup> Clark. 20 acr. 1 <sup>r</sup>

They take up all Governo's Meadow.





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Oct. 13. 1725. A council of three Churches at Dorchester village advized them to prepare themselves, & to hasten the administration of y<sup>e</sup> Lords Supper among y<sup>m</sup> But Elhanan Lion not appearing advized y<sup>e</sup> Church to give Him liberty to call in 3 oth<sup>r</sup> Churches of His own Choice, to Join with this Council—in Council about His Matter on Nov. 3 next at Dorchester old meeting house.

Nov. 3. 1725. The Council of Churches (sent for by the Church at Dorchester village) met according to adjournment at Dorchester old Meeting house & tho they could not obtain the presence of y<sup>e</sup> Dissenting Brethren of y<sup>e</sup> Church of said village nor would Elhanan Lion (tho<sup>h</sup> He had Liberty given) adde three other churches of His own choice) yet their Rev<sup>d</sup> Pastor m<sup>r</sup> Morse made such an acknowledgment & publick Declaration as that y<sup>e</sup> Said Council Judged it a sufficient Ground (on His Part) of Satisfaction & Reconciliation: & Recommended it as Such to y<sup>e</sup> Chh of y<sup>e</sup> said village advizing y<sup>m</sup> to peace, love & mutual forgiveness & to bury all former faults & animosities and to keep a day of pray<sup>r</sup> & Also anoth<sup>r</sup> Paper was Signed wherein Matt's of order were declared and matt's of Disorder Testified against.

Nov. 24. 1725. The Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Ezra Carpenter was ordained the 2<sup>d</sup> Pastor of the Church in Hull.

March 13. 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub> A proclamation was Read for a publick fast to be March 24.

And Printed Proposals were read for an Evangelical Treasury for propagating of y<sup>e</sup> Gospel to Ungospellized Plantations, & a Contribution voted by y<sup>e</sup> Congregation to be made March 24 for m<sup>r</sup> Modey to subsist Him in preaching at Providence.

Oct. 16. 1726. A Letter from Some Brethren in Sandwich Requesting the Church to Send Pastor & Messengers thither to sit in Council in Nov<sup>r</sup>— But the Church inclined to Send none.

Oct. 23. 1726. A letter from the north Chh in Braintree to this Church to Send Pastor & Messengers to their Ordination of m<sup>r</sup> John Hancock on Nov. 2. The Chh voted the officers of the Chh to goe accordingly.

And y<sup>e</sup> Ordination was Sollemnly accomplished on y<sup>e</sup> Said Day.

April. 12. 1728. Friday—at a Church Meeting  
Then Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Chh impower y<sup>e</sup> Deacons





1. To Let out still to y<sup>e</sup> Dammons or any others y<sup>e</sup> Land y<sup>t</sup> old m<sup>r</sup> Dammon hired of y<sup>e</sup> Church, & a piece of Upland near to it.

2 Item Voted 'hat y<sup>e</sup> Church do Impow<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Deacons for y<sup>e</sup> Subdividing of y<sup>r</sup> Lots in y<sup>e</sup> 12 & 25 Divisions.

3. Item Voted that y<sup>e</sup> Chh do Impower y<sup>e</sup> Deacons to Sell y<sup>e</sup> wood y<sup>t</sup> is blown down in y<sup>e</sup> Chh Lot near blew Hills on y<sup>e</sup> right Side of y<sup>e</sup> way, & keep y<sup>e</sup> mony und<sup>r</sup> Improvem<sup>t</sup> for y<sup>e</sup> Churches Use.

4. Item Voted y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Church Impower y<sup>e</sup> Deacons to Use all proper means in y<sup>e</sup> Law for Recovering y<sup>e</sup> mony y<sup>t</sup> was Let out to Richard Hall.

5. Item. y<sup>e</sup> Church voted that they would not abate of 13 sh per Ounce Difference between Publ. Bills of Credit & Silver mony — as to y<sup>e</sup> bond given y<sup>a</sup> by Henry White.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 28. 1728-29 At a Church Meeting after Lecture

Declared y<sup>t</sup> ye Deacons have received & put under improvement for y<sup>e</sup> Churches Use Fifty four pounds & nineteen shillings for wood Sold in the Churches Lot by y<sup>e</sup> blew Hills.

voted y<sup>t</sup> they would not take lesse y<sup>n</sup> 13 sh. publ. bills in lieu of an Ounce of Silver & So pro rata — for y<sup>e</sup> bond y<sup>t</sup> is to be paid by Josiah White. Item voted to Sell m<sup>r</sup> Dammon half an acre of meadow which He has fenced & cleared.

& voted that they would not let y<sup>r</sup> Lot in y<sup>e</sup> 12 Divisions nor purchase any Land adjoining to it.

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At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester March. 3. 1728-29: Legaly Warned;

The Question was put whether the Town were willing that there should be another Minister called & settled as a Colleague with our Reverend Pastor m<sup>r</sup> John Danforth, in such Manner as y<sup>e</sup> word of God, & the Province Law doth direct?

It Passed in the Affirmative.

A true Copy from Dorchester Records —

Attest — James Blake Junior Town-Clerk.

March. 9. 1728-9 — Lords Day.

The abovewritten Record was Read to the Church in Dorchester.

And then the following Questions were put

1. whether the Church be willing that there should be



another Minister called & settled as a Collegue with their Pastor, in such manner as the word of GOD & the Province Law directs?

It was Voted in the Affirmative.

2. whether the Church be willing, that on the Publick Fast Now near approaching, In the Publick Prayers, this Matter should be one special Article, And that the Eternal FATH<sup>r</sup> and y<sup>e</sup> Eternal SON (y<sup>e</sup> Glorious Head of y<sup>e</sup> Chh) and y<sup>e</sup> Eternal SPIRIT (the GOD of all Grace) be earnestly sought unto, Graciously to bestow the Blessing Desired, & to give the Church a Discerning of Spirits, & a Special Divine Guidance in all the steps that they are to take in their Endeavours after another Minister.

It Passed in the Affirmative.

3. Whether the Church be willing, in the Close of the Fast Service (after they have most solemnly Sought to GOD for Guidance) to bring in their Votes for a First Man (a Preacher) whom they would take into Consideration, and make further Trial & Probation of By Hearing Him again & again? A Second & Third Person to be Distinctly Voted for, on the LORDS Day following?

Voted in y<sup>e</sup> Affirmative.

March: 20. 1728-29. Publick Fast. In the forenoon the Pastor preached on Psal. 68. 18, 19, 20; as Interpreted & Applied by y<sup>e</sup> Apostle in Eph. 4. 7-12. Suitably to the occasion of Election of a Person to be put upon Probation for a minister. And after the blessing was given in the afternoon, the Church Stayed & the votes brought in were

For m<sup>r</sup> Wadsworth — one

For m<sup>r</sup> Stimson — one

For m<sup>r</sup> Eliot — two

For m<sup>r</sup> Byles — eight

For m<sup>r</sup> Payson — twelve

For m<sup>r</sup> Bowman — forty and one.

So m<sup>r</sup> Bowman was declared to be the first in Nomination for Probation.

March 23, 1728-29: The Church stayed & brought their votes for y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> Man to be put upon probation And the votes that were brought in were

For m<sup>r</sup> Coolidge — one

For m<sup>r</sup> Champney — one

For m<sup>r</sup> Bowes — two

For m<sup>r</sup> Eliot — four

For m<sup>r</sup> Byles — fifteen

For m<sup>r</sup> Payson — thirty five



So m<sup>r</sup> Payson was declared to be chosen to be the Second Preacher in Nomination for Probation.

Then they brought their votes for a 3<sup>d</sup> Person; And the Number of votes was

For m<sup>r</sup> Pearse — one

For m<sup>r</sup> Wadsworth — one

For m<sup>r</sup> Chamney — one

For m<sup>r</sup> Powes — four

For m<sup>r</sup> Elliot — eight

For m<sup>r</sup> Coolidge — eight

For m<sup>r</sup> Byles — twenty one or twenty two. one name badly spelled.

And twas declared to the Church that m<sup>r</sup> Biles was highest in y<sup>e</sup> votes — & had but 22 votes, yet if they would Consent that He should be the 3<sup>d</sup> Person in Nomination, twas desired that they would Manifest it by lifting up of hands, and

It Passed in the Affirmative.

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March 30 & April 6. M<sup>r</sup> Byles Preached here

April 13 & 20<sup>th</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Bowman preached here.

April. 22. A fast in Dorchester to intreat GODS mercy about a new Minister.

April 27 & May 4. m<sup>r</sup> Payson Preached here.

May 4. 1729. The Church voted speedily to proceed to y<sup>e</sup> Choice of a Colleague Pastor, & were ordered to bring in y<sup>e</sup> votes y<sup>e</sup> next Lords Day P.M.

May. 11. 1729. On Lords Day P.M. The Church stayed according to appointment & voted for a Colleague Pastor By written Paper votes.

& m<sup>r</sup> Payson had twelve votes.

& m<sup>r</sup> Byles had fourteen votes.

& m<sup>r</sup> Bowman had fifty one votes.

And the 3 Tellers of y<sup>e</sup> votes were y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>d</sup> & Aged m<sup>r</sup> Capen, the Hond m<sup>r</sup> Phillip Withington & the Hon<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> John Pearse.

And after that the Pastor had Declared that m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Bowman was by a great Majority of Votes Chosen a Colleague Pastor in this Church: He Proposed that the Honoured Persons abovenamed (who were the 3 Tellers of y<sup>e</sup> votes) together with the Hon<sup>d</sup> Deacons should be by y<sup>e</sup> Church, appointed, in y<sup>e</sup> Name of the Church to lay this





Matter before y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>d</sup> Select Men & y<sup>e</sup> Town according to the Laws, & the Church manifested their Consent to it by a very General lifting up of hands.

May. 28. 1729 Election day. At a Lawfull Town Meeting The Town voted y<sup>r</sup> Concurrence with y<sup>e</sup> Church in the Choice of m<sup>r</sup> Bowman to be y<sup>r</sup> minister.

June 2. 1729 The Call from Chh & Town Signed by y<sup>e</sup> Pastor & Clerk was Carryed to m<sup>r</sup> Bowman by y<sup>e</sup> 2 Deacons old m<sup>r</sup> Capen, old m<sup>r</sup> withington Capt. Wiswell, Doctor Danforth—m<sup>r</sup> Jos. Hall, m<sup>r</sup> Jos. Basse & Lieutenant Sevars.

Oct. 19. 1729. The church voted y<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> first wednesday in november be for y<sup>e</sup> ordination of mr Bowman, & that the churches following be sent to, to assist by y<sup>r</sup> Elders & messeng<sup>r</sup>s viz y<sup>e</sup> chh of Lexington, y<sup>e</sup> old Church of Roxbury M<sup>r</sup> Eells Chh of Scittuate, y<sup>e</sup> 2 Churches of Braintree The Chhes of milton & Stoughton.

Then voted y<sup>r</sup> y<sup>r</sup> be a Contribution & w<sup>t</sup> is wanting for y<sup>e</sup> Charges of Entertainm<sup>t</sup> to be made up out of y<sup>e</sup> Churches monys in y<sup>e</sup> hands of y<sup>e</sup> Deacons; & y<sup>r</sup> old m<sup>r</sup> withington with y<sup>e</sup> Deacons take Care of y<sup>e</sup> Entertainmt of y<sup>e</sup> Elders & messeng<sup>r</sup>s & oth<sup>r</sup>s y<sup>r</sup> Come.

Nov. 5. 1729. The Elders & Messengers of y<sup>e</sup> Said Churches came & Chose m<sup>r</sup> Walter to be y<sup>r</sup> Moderator & to give y<sup>e</sup> Right Hand of fellowship (& He did so) & old m<sup>r</sup> Hancock preached—on those words of Paul... there comes upon me daily y<sup>e</sup> Care of all the Churches. The Aged Pastor prayd & gave the Charge by y<sup>e</sup> Divine Help; & He & m<sup>r</sup> Hancock, & m<sup>r</sup> Walter, & m<sup>r</sup> Eells, & m<sup>r</sup> Niles laid on Hands, on y<sup>e</sup> Reverend m<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Bowman & He was Sollemnly Ordained a minister of y<sup>e</sup> Gospel & a Pastor of the Church in Dorchester May He Continue Him a great Blessing.

Sit Gloria DEO in Xto, Nunc, & in æternum. Amen.

May 27 1730 at a Church meeting: voted that forty pounds be allowed out of the Church Stock towards the Funeral of the Rev<sup>d</sup>. m<sup>r</sup>. John Danforth, as also twenty pounds to procure a mourning [suit] for the surviving Pastor.

At a meeting of the Church In Dorchester Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1734.  
Voted

1 that the Deacons give an account of the Churches Temporal Estate.



2 that persons be chosen to audit their accounts and make report thereon to the Church

3 that M<sup>r</sup> Blake, Cap<sup>t</sup>. Spur & M<sup>r</sup> Bird be a Committee for this End.

4 that the Deacons make Subdivisions of the Churches Lands as there shall be occasion.

5 that John Moseley & his wife be Dismissed & recommended according to y<sup>r</sup> Desire to the Chh In Newton where they have removed.

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At a Meeting of the Chh of Dorchester December 24, 1734.

The Report of the Committee chosen the 26<sup>th</sup> of the last Month to audit the accompts of the Deacons was read & accepted.

[NOTE. This is the close of the regular records of proceedings. After fifteen blank leaves we find this entry, pencilled in a bold hand :

Tho : Jordan  
Olive Corbin  
15. 3. 1706.

Turning the book over, and looking at the top of what now becomes the first page (or fly-leaf), we find the following entries, which, though unofficial, were probably recorded by one of the very early clerks. The edges of the page are badly torn.

[ . . . . ] 94. Elder george [Minot]  
[ . . . . ] 1597. M<sup>rs</sup> Martha Minot His [ . . . . ]  
[ . . . . ] 1626. Their Son m<sup>r</sup> John Min [ . . . . ]  
[ . . . . ] 3. 1631. M<sup>r</sup> Steven Minott born [ . . . . ]  
[ . . . . ] 10. 1635. M<sup>r</sup> Samuel Minott born [ . . . . ]  
[ . . . . ] 30. 7<sup>m</sup>. 1631. M<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Stoughton born [ . . . . ]  
[ . . . . ] 2<sup>m</sup>. 1637. M<sup>rs</sup> Hannah Stoughton born [ . . . . ]  
31, 10, 1628. M<sup>r</sup> James Minot born [ . . . . ]  
9. 10. 1653. The two last Marryed together.  
1. 5<sup>m</sup>. 1701. The Hon<sup>ble</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Stoughton Lt Gov:  
Died [ . . . . ]  
anno Aeta [ . . . . ]



Proceeding now to the third folio, we find records which were plainly begun when the volume was first used, but were made at this end of the book to separate them from the records of proceedings. It will be borne in mind that they are contemporaneous with those records, from point to point.

N.B. There are numerous interpolations, in the way of personal and historical explanations, in a hand notably different from that of the regular entries. As their matter is very important, and apparently trustworthy, and seems to the copyist to be largely the work of one of the pastors, Rev. John Danforth, it is given. But it is put in parenthesis to distinguish it from the official text.

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## Baptismes

The returnes of such children as have bene baptised in the church at Dorchester by Communion of churches, their parents one or both being members of the church at Windsor, or Hingham :

Thomas moore  
Elizabeth more  
Azrikam Parker  
Abigail Procter  
Benjamin Richards  
Joseph Richards

Samuel wright: 12<sup>th</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup>. 1638.

Jedidiah Stronge 2<sup>d</sup>. 14<sup>th</sup>. 1639.

Jobaniah Lumberd 4<sup>th</sup>. 23<sup>rd</sup>. 1639.

Samuell Eelles 3<sup>mo</sup>. 3<sup>th</sup>. 1640

(He is Major at Hingham Anno 1704-5 & Justice of Peace)

14. 5. 37 Jos. Leeds born.  
Benj.

(8<sup>th</sup> 1634. Baptised Samuel Son of Roger Clap: He was many Yeares, Select man, & Deputy of y<sup>e</sup> Court, & Captain, at last Major, but gave back his Commiſſion. He was ordained Ruling Elder febr. 3. 1701-2 & He Rested from His Labors Oct: 16. 1708. Aged 74 years.

His vertuous wife Daughter of Ri: Leeds, lived with Him near 49 Years & deceased about 7 days before Him Aged about 71.)



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Baptismes    1637  
                  1638

The names of such as have been baptised in the church at  
dorchester in the yeares 1637 & 1638.

Eleazar Mather

(Preached at Boston North.)

Hannah Stoughton

(married afterwards to m<sup>r</sup> James Minot)

Eldad Kingesley

(became a Ruling Elder)

Pelataiah Gloover.

(became minister at Springfield)

Bithiah Hawes.

Samuel Hill

Abigail Reede 10<sup>mi</sup>. 30<sup>o</sup>. 1638.

(Removed to Rehoboth)

nathaneel Holland

Noah wiswall

(Removed to Newtown --- a Captain)

Hannah ffarnsworth 10<sup>mi</sup>. 30. 1638

(Removed to Hingham)

Isaack Dickerman.

(Removed to Connecticut)

Joseph Maudesley.

Prudence Clapp (1 (11) 37)

Sarah Clapp

(Married at Connecticut)

Nehemiah Pierce

(Removed to Boston)

Abigail Cogan

(went to England)

Hannah Jones

(married m<sup>r</sup> Bullard of Dedham)

James Trowbridge

(Removed to Newtowne)

James White

(Joanna Capen Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>d</sup> (9): 3 [ ])

Mary ffarnsworth

(married m<sup>r</sup> Jenkins at Boston)

Mary Phillips

(married m<sup>r</sup> Mountjoy of Boston)





Jonathan Topley

Mary Aldridge

(went to Rehoboth)

Elizabeth Rigby 1<sup>mi</sup> 3<sup>th</sup> 1638.

Eleazar flood, who since his baptism was dismissed  
w<sup>th</sup> his parents Joseph flood and his wiffe to the  
church at Lynne:

John Stoughton 1<sup>mi</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1638.

(Dyed at Barbados)

Sarah Hawkins 1<sup>mi</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 16 [ ](wife to y<sup>e</sup> Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> James Allin)Rebecca Wiswall 2<sup>di</sup> [ ]

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Baptismes at dorchester  
in the yeare 1639.

Rebecca Wiswall: 2<sup>di</sup> 6<sup>to</sup> 1639.

borne the 3<sup>d</sup> of same mo: about 7 aclocke in the eveninge:  
(married m<sup>r</sup> Curtice)

Rest Atherton

(married to O. Swift)

Sarah Topley

(married to Elder Copp of Boston)

Joseph Leedes

Benjamin Leeds { Twins }

Jonathan Farneham

(Removed to Boston)

Increase Mather

(Dr. of Divinity Pastor in Boston)

Thomas Andrewes

Elizabeth Tylestone 6<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>to</sup> 1639:

(Died a maide)

Irsael Mead

went to Watertowne { 7<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>do</sup> 1639:

Mary Millet:

John Capin

Jonathan Clerke { 8 mo: 29<sup>mo</sup>: 1639:John White { 10 mo 16<sup>th</sup> 1639Mary Burre: 10 mo: 23<sup>th</sup> 1639:

Samuell Wilkins

Rebecca ffarnwoorth { 11 mo: 5<sup>th</sup>: 1639:

} 3<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>to</sup> 1639.

} 4<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>do</sup> 1639.

} 4<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>o</sup> 1639.  
(M<sup>r</sup> Math<sup>r</sup> <sup>1723</sup>  
aged 84)



Bethia Hawoorth	}	12 mo : Decimo 6 <sup>to</sup> 1639
Susanna Upsall		
Hannah Leeds		
(marryd to Capt. Clap Ruling Elder)		
Nathaniell Williams		
Joseph Willies	}	12 <sup>mo</sup> Vicesimo 3 <sup>to</sup> 1639
(went to Boston)		
Anna Waterhouse		1 <sup>mo</sup> : 5 <sup>to</sup> Decimo 1640 :
Hannah Purchase		1 mo 2 do vicesimo 1640
Mahetobell Clerke		2 mo : 9 <sup>mo</sup> : decimo 1640
(married m <sup>r</sup> Warren of Boston)		
her ffather was then not come ffrom old England : but m <sup>r</sup> Soughto declared her name w <sup>ch</sup> was given by her mother : at home :		
Hannah Tolman		2 mo 6 to vicesimo 1640
(married m <sup>r</sup> W <sup>m</sup> Blake last & to m <sup>r</sup> Lion ffirst)		
(Justice of Peace)	Samuell Eelles. his ffather (He died at Hingham.) beinge memb of the church of Winso <sup>r</sup> was by Co <sup>m</sup> unio of churches baptised	}
Ezra Clapp		3 mo 4to (23 <sup>d</sup> )
Praise ever Turner		vicesimo 1640
iah Bourne	}	4mo 4to Decimo 1640
s Hawkins		
Robinson		
Hawes		

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Baptisms at Dorchester  
in the yeare 1640

John Maudsley	4 ti mo : 8.
(went to Westfield)	vicesimo [1640]
Jonathan Hill	5 ti mo
	Duodecimo } 1640
(Went to Bridgwater)	



- Experience Clapp 6ti, mo, } 1640  
 tricesimo }  
 Nathaniell Clapp 7ti mo  
 vicesimo 7<sup>mo</sup> 1640  
 Samuel Rigbie 8mo. vicesimo 1640  
 Samuel Proctor 9mo: decimo<sup>6to</sup> 1640  
 (went to Boston)  
 David Zeleeke, } (went to Newhaven)  
 John Gill } 9<sup>mo</sup> vicesimo 3<sup>tio</sup> 1640  
 (went to Boston)  
 Thankfull Foster 10 mo vicesimo 7<sup>mo</sup> 1640  
 (married m<sup>r</sup> Baker of Boston)  
 Elizabeth Swift 11 mo vicesimo 4<sup>to</sup> 1640  
 Nathaniell Clerke 11mo vicesimo primo 1640  
 (went to Northampton)  
 Mary Baker 12 mo: decimo<sup>4to</sup> 1640  
 (married m<sup>r</sup> Robinson)  
 Joanna Barnham — 1 mo: 7<sup>mo</sup> 1641  
 (went to Boston)  
 Mary Pearce } 1 mo: decimo<sup>4to</sup> 1641  
 Mary Houtchin }  
 Experience Upsall } 1 mo vicesimo primo 1641  
 Deliverance Holland }  
 Samuel Pitcher 2 mo: decimo<sup>5to</sup> 1641  
 Hopestill munnings }  
 (went to England) } 2 mo: vicesimo 5<sup>to</sup> [1641]  
 Returne munnings }  
 (went to Boston)  
 Rebecca Sykes — 3 mo: 9<sup>th</sup> 1641  
 (went to Springfield)  
 Jonathan Zeleekes: 3 mo: 16: 1641  
 (Went to Stamford)  
 Deborah Wiswall 3mo: tricesimo 1641  
 She was born upō the 24 daye of the same mo beinge the  
 2 daye of the weeke about 6 oclocke in the evening  
 Thomas Bird 5 mo decimo<sup>8to</sup> 1641  
 Thomas Holman 6 mo vicesimo 2<sup>do</sup> 1641  
 Rebecca Stoughton 6 mo vicesimo 9<sup>o</sup> 1641  
 (married to m<sup>r</sup> Tailer at Boston)  
 Remembrance Lippincot 7 mo: decimo<sup>6o</sup>: 1641  
 (to m<sup>r</sup> Barber of Boston)  
 Experience Callicot } : (filius non filia)  
 Ruth Tylestone: } 8 mo: tertio: 1641  
 (married to Timothy Foster)





Ebenezer Wiswall 8 mo dcimo<sup>to</sup> 1641  
 Waitstill Clapp 8 mo : vicessimo <sup>to</sup> 1641  
 John Whipple } 9 mo <sup>mo</sup> 1 1641  
 Elizabeth George }  
 (married to Sam Rigby)  
 Hannah Hill [Leat  
 (married to D. Foster) 1 torn  
 off.]

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[Corner  
 torn  
 off.] [ ] her ffather beinge dead  
 [...] was declared in the congregatiō  
 [...] Stoughtō who: was requested by 1641  
 [...] mother as also to signifie the signification 10 mo  
 viz: my ffather is god to intimate that it was 26  
 ffatherles & of the house of mourning: the ground or  
 cause of giving the significatio was because she had heard  
 some thing declared that it were sit fo<sup>r</sup> parents to give  
 names accordinge to ther owne language  
 (by the teacher)

Increase Atherton 11 mo 2<sup>do</sup> 1641  
 (Died at sea)  
 Experience Mead: 11 mo vicessimo <sup>mo</sup> 1641  
 (to Boston)

Sarah Whipple }  
 (To m<sup>r</sup> Smith at Providence) }  
 Jonathan Howard } 12 mo : 6<sup>to</sup> 1641  
 Sarah Pond: (to Ezra Clap) }  
 Nathaniell Howard }

Rebecca Jones 12 mo dcimo<sup>mo</sup> 1641  
 (married to m<sup>r</sup> Green at Boston, Cooper)  
 Nehemiah Pears 12 mo Vicessimo 1641  
 (went to Boston) Anno 1642

Hannah Newton }  
 Mary Newton } 1 mo : 6to 1642  
 (Crooker, Tanton)

Increase Robinson } (went to Taunton)  
 John Burd } 1 mo dcimo<sup>mo</sup> 1642  
 Mehetabel Millet of Rebecca Millet.

1 mo vicessimo 42

John Wilkins  
 (to Salem village)

Elizabeth Clarke 3 mo vicessimo <sup>mo</sup> 42  
 wait a while makepeace  
 (to m<sup>r</sup> Dennis at Boston)



Israell Phillips 4 mo : duo decimo 42  
 (to Boston)  
 Ruth ffarnwoorth 4 mo : decimo<sup>9o</sup> 42 :  
 (to m<sup>r</sup> Puffer)  
 Obedience Holland 4 mo vicesimo <sup>6o</sup> 42 :  
 (wife to Benj. Gamline)  
 ffredome Wooward 5 mo.  
 John Tollman 5 mo 31 1642  
 Israell Reed : his ffather sent him by his mother  
 from Situate to be baptised at Dor. wherof him-  
 selfe was member  
 Experience Pitcher 7 mo : 25 : 1642 :  
 Eliezar ffawer }  
 (His son Called Gibson Far at Boston) } 8 mo 2<sup>do</sup> 1642  
 Obedience Topley  
 Abigaill Hawkins 8 mo 9<sup>no</sup> 1642  
 (To m<sup>r</sup> Kellum & m<sup>r</sup> Foster Boston)  
 Increase Turner { 8 mo decimo<sup>5o</sup> 1642  
 Ruth Upsall {  
 (to Boston)  
 Addingstill Willeyes 8 mo 22<sup>do</sup> — 1642  
 [Co]nstant Hawes 9 mo 22<sup>do</sup> — 42  
 [ . . . ]h ffarnham 9 mo 29<sup>no</sup> — 42  
 (to Braintrey)

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Abigall Hollman vicesimo 10<sup>no</sup> 42  
 (To Taunton)  
 Mersy Hill }  
 John Newton } 8<sup>to</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1642  
 Take-Heed munnings }  
 Elizabeth Maudsley } vicesimo 2<sup>do</sup> 11mo 42 :  
 John ffrench duodecimo : 12mo : 42  
 (went to Waymouth)  
 Elizabeth Pratt decimo<sup>9to</sup> 12 mo 42  
 (married to Roger Billings)  
 Increase Sumner {  
 Sarah Wiswall { vicesimo <sup>8to</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 42  
 she was borne the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the same mo : beinge the  
 Lords Daye in the eaveninge about sunne setinge  
 Mary Smith 5<sup>to</sup> 4 mo 42  
 (Marryd to m<sup>r</sup> Johnson of Roxbury)  
 1643.  
 Susan Cundliffe 1<sup>mo</sup> vicesimo : nono 43  
 (To Northampton)



Mary Evens 1<sup>mo</sup> vicessimo 9<sup>no</sup> 43 :

(Marryd to Nathan Bradley)

Experience Clerke 2 mo 2<sup>do</sup> 43

(to Northampton)

mehitabell Rigby vicesimo 3<sup>to</sup> 2<sup>do</sup> 43

(to m<sup>r</sup> Turner of Scittuate)

John Baker { ult of 2<sup>mo</sup> 43

John George {

(Died at Sea)

Jonathan Howard vicesimo 5<sup>to</sup> 4 mo 43

(to Boston)

Tho ffrench 2<sup>do</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 43 :

Dependance Callicot 9<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo 43 :

Ruth Swift decimo 6<sup>to</sup> [ . . . . ] 43

Jonathan Fuller vicessimo 6<sup>to</sup> mo 43

Experience Woodward: decimo: nono: 5<sup>th</sup> mo 43

(to northampton)

Preserved Clapp: vicesimo 6<sup>to</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> mo 43

(Capt: & Ruling Elder at Northampton)

Prudence Robinson: decimo 7<sup>mo</sup> 10 mo 43

Sarah Davenport Tricessimo primo 10 mo 43:

Mathias Eavens: vicessimo 8<sup>to</sup> 11 mo 43:

Sarah Mead: 4<sup>to</sup> 12 mo 43:

(marryed to m<sup>r</sup> Burgesse of Boston)

Hannah Howard Undecimo: 12 mo 43:

(married to m<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Minot)

1644.

Hopstill ffoster: 10 1 mo 44

Ebinezer Clap { 17 1 mo 44

Samuell Whipple {

(to Providence)

Renewd Kingsley 24 1 mo 1644:

(to Ipswich)

Abigaill Chamberlane her father beinge a member of Concord but at p'sent sojerninge in Dorchester was by vertue of communiō of churches upō her ffather Request & some bretheren report of him Baptized 31 1 mo: 1644

(or James)

Samuell Bird: 2 mo: 44:

Thankefull Atherton: 29 2 mo: 44:

Recompence Osburne was Baptized at D [ . . . ] as a member of the church of salem [ . . . ] ffather & mother were members: as [ . . . ] by a Certificate under m<sup>r</sup> Endicot [ . . . ] Governour as also: w<sup>th</sup> do [ . . . . . ] decisiō was this: willi [ . . . . . ]



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[. . . . .] salem to [Braintree] to become Clerke of the Iron worke [did] for [some] small tyme sojurne w<sup>th</sup> his Brother [. . .] in Dorchester in w<sup>ch</sup> tyme the child was Borne and so Baptized 16 of 4 mo: 44

Abigaill ffawer was baptized in Dorchester 30 of 5 mo 44: w<sup>ch</sup> daye m<sup>r</sup> mather Teacher of the church of christ there did predicate & cleare up the doctrine of pedo Baptisme against the Calumnious errour of the AnaBaptists.

Thomas Stoughton

Hill

Topley

Pears

Cornelius Willeyes

Anna Holman } 29 7 mo 44:

John Dickerman }

Anna Billindge 20 8 mo 44

(to m<sup>r</sup> Penniman)

Samuell ffarnwoorth 27 8 mo 44

Patience Turner 10 9mo 44

[Lydia] Wilkins 25 9 mo 44

(to mr. Mills)

Mary Pitcher 30 9 mo 44

(wife to Isaac Rush)

Ruth Tollman 7 10 mo 44

(to Isaac Ryall)

Nathaniell Maudsley 16 12 mo 1644

Rebecca Smith 22 12 mo 1644

(to m<sup>r</sup> Nash of Boston)

1645

Tho Davenport }

John Pellton }

Waitstill Wyat }

(to Capt. Vose)

Mary Humphreys }

Eliezer Hawes

Joseph }

et }

Beniami }

Lydia Wiswall

Prudence Holland

Sarah Baker }

Abigaill: Rigby }

2<sup>do</sup> 1 mo 1645

9<sup>mo</sup> 1 mo 1645

23: 1 mo 1645

13 2 mo 45:

25 3 mo 45:

22 4 mo 45:





Mary Swift	21 7 mo 45
John Baker	28 7 mo 45
Mary Billindge	23 9 mo 45
Experience Clap }	21 10 mo 45
Mary George }	
John Howard }	4 11 mo 45
Anna Evens }	
[Ebenezer] Hill }	15 12 mo 45
[.....] Preston }	
[Eliza]beth Curtise }	

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Anno 1646

Increase Clerke	1 — 1 mo — 46
Eliczer Whipple	8 — 1 mo — 46
Thankfull Baker }	19 — 1 mo — 46
Preserved Trot }	
Abigaill Pond }	29 — 1 mo — 46
Patience Mead :	
Waitinge Robinson	26 — 2 mo — 46
Samuell Topley	10 — 3 mo — 46
Cornelyus Tylestone	17 — 3 mo — 46
Nathaniell Callicot	24 — 3 mo — 46
Hope Atherton	30 — 6 mo — 46
Patience ffoster	16 — 6 mo — 46
Bethia Willet	2 — 6 mo — 46
Thankfull Woodland	9 — 6 mo — 46
Experience Willies	9 — 7 mo — 46
Hannah Clap : }	20 — 7 mo — 46
Joseph Makepeace }	
Nehemiah Clap	10 — 8 mo — 46
Susanna Daniell	18 — 8 mo — 46
Samuell Hollman	6 — 10 mo — 46
John Phillips }	25 — 11 mo — 46
Samuell Pellton }	

Anno. 1647 :

Samuell ffarnwoorth. }	30 — 3 mo — 47
Rebecca Tollman }	
Thomas Willkins	16 — 3 mo — 47
John woodwoorth	18 — 5 mo — 47
Ruth Pitcher	25 — 5 mo — 47
Abiell Howord	8 — 6 mo — 47
Ephraim Newton :	19 — 7 mo 47



Elizabeth Smith :	19 — 10 mo — 47
(Anna Swift	14 — 9 mo — 47
Hopestill Clap	6 — 10 — 47
Ebenezer Williams	- - - - 47)

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Anno 1648

[...]ary Whipple	9 — 2 mo — 48
Naomy Tylestone	7 — 3 mo — 48
Abigail Holbrooke	21 — 3 mo — 48
Sarah Lane	28 — 3 mo — 48
Samuell Bate	19 — 4 mo — 48
Nathaniell Wyat	2 — 5 mo — 48
John Daniell	6 — 6 mo — 48
Mary Brecke	13 — 6 mo — 48
Martha Hill	20 — 6 mo — 48
[mar]tha woodland	3 — 7 mo — 48
Patience Hollman {	
Preserved Callicot }	28 — 11 mo — 48
John ffoster {	
Susanna Clap }	10 — 10 mo — 48
mary waye	14 — 11 mo — 48
mary davenpo"	21 — 11 mo — 48

(Samuell Capen y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Capen was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> (6) 48 at Brantry by vertue of Communion of Churches, he being borne at that towne: his ffather & mother being members of this Church of Dorchester)

(Samuel Trescot born Nov. 4. 1646 & is by Gods mercy an active man in febr 1723.)

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Anno 1649.

Margaret Wilkins :	10 — 12 mo — [48]
Hopestill Humphreyes	10 — 4 mo — [49]
Looke for Jo withington in the yeare [49]	
John woodland {	
Sarah Burd }	12 6 mo 49 :
Bathsuba Tylestone :	16 — 7 mo 49
Daniell Preston	7 — 8 mo 49
Thankefull Boulton	14 — 8 mo 49



Beniamin wiswall

mary

John merrifeild } 16—2 mo 49

Elizabeth

Ruth

John minot :

James swift } 10. 1 mo 49 :

Rebecca Ireland

mary Holbrooke 17 1 mo 50

place this in 50 and pdon ye escape.

(Ebenez : Williams Son of Roger williams born in January 1649. as He saith His moth's name was Lidia Bates He was Baptized by m<sup>r</sup> mather.)

Anno 1650

mahitobell Hill } 18—12—50

Abigaill Newton

John withington 1—5 mo 49

pdon this escape :

John Brecke } 27 8 mo 50

Elizabeth Baker

Wait Clap } : 24 1 mo 50

Barnerd Capen

Leutenant Clap declared the Reason why he called his child (wait) was because he did suppose the ffall of anti-christ was not ffarre of :

Hannah merrifeild

Elisha

malachy } Hallowaye } 7—2 mo 50

nchemiah

Ester

Anna Davenpo<sup>r</sup>t 29—10 mo 50

John Pitcher 11—6 mo 50

Samuell Badcocke

David Mead

mary Daniell } 7—5 mo—50

Rebecca Gill

Jonathan Billindge } 25—6 mo 50

Thankes Clapp

Aron waye 6—8 mo 50

this daye brō Pears Request [for] dissmision was made knowne [where] upō the trouble Rose

mary Holbrooke 17 [ . . . . ]

the same [ . . . . ]





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Anno 1650.

[...] wiswall }  
 [...] er waye } 9 — 4 mo 50  
 [...] Ireland 20 — 8 mo 50  
 Relciffe Holland 16 (3) 50

(James Foster y<sup>e</sup> Son of Captain Hopestill Foster, & of m<sup>rs</sup>  
 mary Foster His wife, was born April 13. 1651. & Baptized  
 .... following.)

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Anno 1651

William Clapp }  
 John Butler } 6 — (5)  
 Sarah Howard }  
 Mary Lyon } 20 (5) 51  
 Bethia Legar 10 (6) 51

She was an inhabitant of Boston but her mother was at  
 her ffather Blake house in dorchester when she was borne  
 and there laye in

Watchinge Atherton 24 (6) 51  
 Samucll Mather }  
 Ebinezer Withington } 7 (7) 51  
 Anna Smith }  
 John Preston 14 (7) 51  
 Onesiphorus Tylestone 19 (8) 51  
 John Triscott }  
 Samucll { Billindge } 26 (8) 51  
 Ebinezer { }  
 Samucll Pears 8 (12) 51  
 Susanna Swift 15 (12) 51  
 Noah Mason 22 (12) 51

but this noah was borne some space before the 2 before him  
 but had been defferred : in point of Baptisme :

Henry Wilkins }  
 Jonathan Badcocke } 7 — (1) 51  
 John Weekes }  
 Anna Blake }

but Jonathan was some weeks or months older than any of  
 the rest and was kept untill this tyme &  
 Martha Wiswall was borne the three and twentieth of the



Last moneth ffifty one about eleaven of the Clocke at night  
& was baptized upon the

14 (1) 52

The same daye from the Counsell of new England was  
published Certaine Reasons or grounds whereupō they Re-  
quire the Churches in new England to keepe a daye of  
thanksgiveinge unto god for mercy vouchsafed to old Eng-  
land especially that overthrow at wocester the thanksgive-  
inge daye is to be the 17 (1) 52.

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[Nat]haniell Pitcher }  
Mary Merrifeild }

18 (2) 52

[...] same daye Testimony Concerninge James Blake et  
uxor eius. William Sumner & Isaac Jones was demanded  
from the Church (of the 3 some thinge was said: in com-  
endation but of the Last nothinge)

Isaac Humphreyes 2 (3) 52

William Whipple 16 (3) 52

John [Hamon] 20 (4) 52

Elizabeth Sumner 27 (4) 52

Mary Capen 11 (5) 52

(& dyed y<sup>e</sup> 8 of ffeb 78)

Hannah Callicott 15 (6) 52

James Blake } 22 (6) 52

John Browne }

Elhenan Lyon 3 (8) 52

[Samuell Blake]

Samuell Lawrance } 10 = 8 — 52

Mary Blake }

Charles Davenpo<sup>r</sup> 7 (9) 52

Thomas Jones 9 (11) 52

Nathaniell Mather } 30 (11) 52

William Waye }

Anne Ireland 13 (12) 52

Anno Dom 1653

Robert Howard 27 (1) 53

Nathaniell Glover } 3 (2) 53

Sarai Ellen }

Mary Daniell 10 (3) 53

Margaret Rodgers 24 (3) 53

Elizabeth Bréeke



Hopstill Layeland	29 (3) 53
Mary Lane	7 (6) 53
Elisha ffoster	24 (6) 53
James Minot	18 (7) 53
Elizabeth Weekes	
Henry withingto	11 (8) 53

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Samuell Clerke 23 (8) [ . . . ]

The same day Prudence Gatcliffe daughter of Thomas Gatcliffe [miller] of the Tyde milne in Dorchester by Comunion of Churches Baptized [ . . . ] Dorchester Church her mother being a member of the Church of Boston

Elizabeth Rush	30 8 53
Sarah Pond	4 (10) 53
Richard Mather	25 (10) 53
James Badcocke	12 (1) 54
Sarah Trott	

same daye William Robinson was excommunicated for Leviticus upon the Accusation & witnes of mary Atherton & her two daughters sister Holland Goodwiffe [wales] Weekes & Bates & ffor his obstinacie in not heareinge the church haveinge beffore admonished him: & the same daye Lewetenant Clap infformed the church that there was some offence in [some] takeinge y<sup>m</sup>selves from church to their offence: w<sup>ch</sup> beinge seconded by Henry Cundliffe it came to passe y<sup>t</sup> John Peares & John [Kinsley] were publickly named as those that were to give an accompt of their absence to y<sup>e</sup> Congregatiō: mr mathers text y<sup>t</sup> day was from y<sup>e</sup> 10 leviticus 3 vers:

Patience Atherton	2 (2) 54
James Baker	30 (2) 54
Mary Sumner	7 (3) 54

(married to nicholas How & after to John Trow. Died febr. 16. 170<sup>5</sup> at Newport.)

Patience Triscott	14 (3) 54
Thomas Lawranson	28 (3) 54
Beniamin whipple =	4 (4) 54

The 7 of 4 54 Hester wiswall was borne about 10 of the Clocke in the fforenone & Baptized 11 (4) 54

Elizabeth Blake 9 (5) 54  
(she dyed 24 8 54)



Same daye bro smith was beffore chū & the boy his ser:  
but came of very pooerly beinge very drye &c

Thomas Merriffeild 30 (5) 54

Joseph Clapp 13 (6)

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Sarah Blake 15 = (8) 54

James Capen / 26 (9) 54

Susanna Brecke /

Nathaniell Lyon 31 (10) 54

John Glover / 18 — (12) 54

Mary Pelton /

Same daye John Smith and his wiffe were Excommunicated  
ffor Comitting fforninatio together beffore marriage w<sup>ch</sup> was  
ffound out by the birth of ther child albeit they beinge ques-  
tioned ffor it beffore the Church did Conceale their sin:  
untill god palpably charged it upō y<sup>m</sup> by that means.

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11 (1) 54 or 55

There havinge beene in o<sup>r</sup> church some Consideratiō what  
state members children are to be Considered in: in the  
church where they are Baptized it came to vote & by divers  
was voted y<sup>t</sup> they were members & that haveinge children  
they should have y<sup>m</sup> baptized if y<sup>m</sup>selves did take hold of  
their ffathers Covenant (but w<sup>t</sup> that takeing hold of Cove-  
nant is, was not Clerely agreed upon)  
albeit y<sup>m</sup>selves beinge examinyed were ffound neither ffit  
ffor the Lords table nor voteinge in the Church but this &  
other thinges seemed strange and unsaffe unto Divers in  
Conclusiō soe it was 4 Lres were sent to the churches of  
Boston Roxbury Dedham & Braintree to intimate unto y<sup>m</sup>  
w<sup>t</sup> was by us intended if in the space of a month or 6 weekes  
we did not heare Reasons from y<sup>m</sup> against or y<sup>t</sup> it would be  
offensive now y<sup>e</sup> 11, (1) 54 there came 3 Lres one frō Boston  
Dedham & Roxbury in all w<sup>ch</sup> after kind and Religious salu-  
tations we ffind [ . . . . . ] Boston desires Rather our ffor-  
bearance & declares ther 2 votes upō w<sup>t</sup> we had done Ded-  
ham sees not Light to goe so farre as we & Roxbury though  
divers of y<sup>m</sup> ffearē it might make th [ . . . . . ] &





bring in time the Corruption of old England w<sup>ch</sup> we filed  
ffrom yet have voted that they see noe cause to diswade us :

Boston Lrē signed  
by m<sup>r</sup> John wilson Pastor  
(Elders) { Thomas Oliver  
          { William Colbourne  
          { James Penn  
             Dedham  
by m<sup>r</sup> Allen (Pastor  
                  or Teacher)  
          m<sup>r</sup> Huntinge  
             Roxbury  
by m<sup>r</sup> John Eliot (Teacher)  
          m<sup>r</sup> Samucl Danforth  
                             (Pastor)  
(Elder) Isaac Heath

17th (12) 55

the daye abovesaid Edward Brecke was called upon the  
church why after so much waiting they did not put in prac-  
tice their argmt about Baptizinge church members children  
w<sup>ch</sup> not in ffull Comuniō as he speakes: m<sup>r</sup> mather an-  
swered Reason was double ffirst 2 churches not willinge  
of o<sup>r</sup> practice 2 none [rendered] upō churches Conclusiō  
but Edw answ<sup>r</sup> in Conscience he thought we Rather neg-  
lect o<sup>r</sup> knowne duty then to offend those meaninge (the 2  
churches that were erroneous in their argment

upo 8 (1) 55 the case abovesaid being in que againe Elder  
withington made a motiō that m<sup>r</sup> mather might have [liberty]  
to baptize whom he would only [...] be for a moneth or  
the like defferr[ed] [ . . . . . ] such

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[as were] not cleare might make thear [ . . . . ] knowne by  
word or writinge to [m<sup>r</sup>] mather Goodman wales seemed [to]  
thinke & so did speake that the waye [was] too strait as  
m<sup>r</sup> mather intended & bro sumner expressed upō the 7 & 12  
ppositions but all was stayed at p'sent upō bro ffoster desire  
that m<sup>r</sup> mather he beinge to speake next upō 1 of 25 gene:  
would please to speake of abrahams sons by katurah how in  
abraham Covenant



upon 17 (6) 56 m<sup>r</sup> mather deliveringe this point that the church ffor state now in the gospell theire was a kingdome yea a kingdome of heaven & must be soe preached by the ministers did psente an eight ffould use of informatiō the ffirst whereof was that men might Convert & Come into church state & in the Eight [breach] that men must use all meanes that they might have the priviledges & benefitts of the kingdome viz they must Repent & beleave: 2 Scriptures pduced one out of marke & the other out of the acts

now my questiō is how this

. . . votes of church . . . . .

[Several lines illegible.]

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(1) 54 or 55 Mary Bates daughter of James Bates baptized her ffather beinge then [from] home gone ffor England by waye of virg[inia] her Grandffather — Elder withingtō gave her a name:

The same day a Lre ffrom Tanton was Reēd to intreate some helpe of Elders & bretheren ffrō us & Roxbury to give Counsell in a matter of difference ffallen out amonge y<sup>m</sup> Hopestill ffoster John wiswall were then nominated as the bretheren to goe m<sup>r</sup> mather ffor the p<sup>s</sup>ent not determined the daye of their beinge at Tanton is 28<sup>th</sup> of this instant

Mary Blake 25 — (1) — 1655

Hannah Daniell 22 (2) 1655

This daye John Smith & his wiffe were both Receaved againe into the church haveinge beene Excommunicated haveinge beene before the church the 15<sup>th</sup> daye & upon some scruple about her both were defferred & this daye she got hardly in some ffor her some against her & some neuters:

Thomas Clap } 29 (2) 55  
Mary Pitcher }

same daye was a speciall Contribution ffor brō william daniell haveinge his house burned the 7<sup>th</sup> of this instant & the most of what he had Consumed

17<sup>th</sup> (4) 55

Richard Waye sonne of Richard waye was baptized his ffather beinge at p<sup>s</sup>ent a member of sālem church though Removed thence & intending to Rejoyne to us againe so soon as opp<sup>t</sup>unity should serve thereffore his Baptisme was declared to be by y<sup>e</sup> Comuniō of Churches that is among us



same dave mary Smith was Baptized her Baptisme havinge  
beene deffered upō the Excommunicatio of her ffather &  
mother

In June was sicknes whereof almost all were ill I have  
not seene so few at meetinge upō noe occasion. nor so much  
Coughinge as then.

Abigaill davenport 8 (5) 55

Cornelius Tylestone { 15 (5) 55

Beniamin Allen }

Isaac Jones 29 (5) 55

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william Weekes

26 (5) 55

Mahalaleel Muninges

9 (7) 55

was borne the 4<sup>th</sup> daye beinge the 3<sup>d</sup> of the weeke  
about 11 or 12 a clocke at night & Baptized as  
abovsald he was borne at his grand ffather wiswall  
house

Nathaniell Butler { 14 (8) 55

Sarah Rodgers }

William Ireland 16 (10) 55

Ebinezer Billindge 6 (11) 55

Katheren Mather 13<sup>th</sup> (11) 55

Mary ffoster 10 (12) 55

Samuell Pond { 16 (1) 55

Elizabeth Lane }

Abigaill Badcocke 27<sup>th</sup> (2) 56:

She was baptized in a Coat being about 3 moneths old as I  
heard her ffather speake:

sacrement daye

Ruth wiswall

15 (3) 56

so 15 (4) 56

Elizabeth Baker 29 (5) 56

Hester Clap { 3 (6) 56

Abigaill Merriffeild }

Same day uncatye bussines was [debated] upon and a vote  
to show what app'batiō the church give to their practice  
there w<sup>ch</sup> was not clearely determined & p'ved but at a  
venture they Condemned them for [ . . . . . ] some Re-  
turne was made in waye of deffense by brō Callicot object-  
inge their dilligence to p'cure an able minister such as the  
church calls for (sent Henry Butler) &c. & that for incor-





agment or wages they were Ready though to treble chardge  
 at Dorchester but their state condem 1 as noe able minister  
 2 and destructione to gods worship 3 against government  
 Comand but theise 3 are all Capable of answ & confutatio  
 Elizabeth Withington 24 (6) 56

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Samuell ffarnworth	}	14 (7) 56]
Elizabeth Weekes		
David Whipple		28 (7) 56
John Smith		12 (8) 56
Jonathan Waye		
Unite Clap		19 (8) 56
Elizabeth Waye	}	18 (11) 56
Elizabeth Boulton		
Richard Hall		25 (11) 56
william Blake		1 (1) <sup>56</sup> <sub>57</sub>
Preserved Capen		8 (1) <sup>56</sup> <sub>57</sub>

14 (4) 57

the daye abovesaid wer<sup>e</sup> Baptized ffoure of Gamalliell Bea-  
 mond Children p'sented by their mother who only is member  
 in whose Right they were Baptized 3 of y<sup>m</sup> beinge growen  
 up were very backward especialiy the Eldest m<sup>r</sup> mather  
 came downe unto the deacon seat their names wer as ffol-  
 lows

Thomas Beamond 8 yeare old

John Beamond 6 yeare old

Gamalliell Beamond 4 yeare old

Mary Beamond she sucked on her mother not weaned :

27 7 57

Hannah muninges her ffather then not come ffrom England  
 same daye Martha minott p'sented by her ffather — though  
 he was noe memb accordinge to our church order : but a  
 Corruptiō Creepinge in as an harbenger to old england  
 p'actice viz. to make all members : (w<sup>ch</sup> god p'vent in mercye

Elizabeth Weekes 17 — (8) — 57

Thankffull Rush 1 — 9 — 57

Rodger y <sup>e</sup> sonne of Rodger	}	13 (10) 57
bellenge baptized y <sup>e</sup> —		

Johnathan y <sup>e</sup> sonne of	}	3 (11) 57
Richard Way —		

Elizabeth & Martha the	}	21 (12) 57
daughters of William pond		



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## 58 Baptismes

Susanna y <sup>e</sup> daughter of	{ 28 (1) 58	
petter Lyon baptized		
Ann y <sup>e</sup> daughter of	{ 9 (3) 58	
Nicholas Ellen		
Nathaniell y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Robert Badcoke		6 (4) 58
Isacke y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Richard Curtice & patience y <sup>e</sup>	{ 20 (4) 58	
daughter of Nicholas Lauerence		
Rebeckah y <sup>e</sup> daughter of Job Lane Baptized		4 (5) 58
Nathaniell y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Timothy Mather		5 (7) 58
Comfort y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Hope-still ffoster & Eliza-	{ 3 (8) 58	
beth y <sup>e</sup> daughter of James Blake		
Mahittabell y <sup>e</sup> daughter of Jeremy Rodgers		10 (8) 58
Hannah y <sup>e</sup> daughter of Isacke Joanes		21 (9) 58
George y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of William weeks		5 (10) 58
Waitstill y <sup>e</sup> daughter of John Smith		12 (10) 58
Joseph y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Jn <sup>o</sup> Capen		2 <sup>d</sup> (11) 58
(The Revd. m <sup>r</sup> Joseph Capen died June 30. 1725.		
Pastor of the church at Topsfield)		
Elizabeth y <sup>e</sup> daughter of Edmond Browne		9 <sup>d</sup> (11) 58
Samuell Sumner y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Rodger Sumner		13 (12) 58
The same day was John Capen ordained Deacon		
John Wiswell y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Enock wiswell		20 <sup>d</sup> (12) 58
Beniamin y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Henery Merrifield		27 (12) 58

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Johnathan y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Tho: Davenport		13 (1) 58
Sarah Beaman, daughter of Gamaliell Beaman &	{ 20 (1) 58	
Sarah Clarke y <sup>e</sup> daughter of William Clarke		
phillip y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Richard Withington and	{ 27 (1) 58	
Jacob & Samuell Hewens		
Johnathan y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of Rich: Haall		10 (2) 59

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## 1659 Baptismes 1660

Samuell y <sup>e</sup> Sonne of		
William Daniell Baptized y <sup>e</sup>		24 (2) 59
Abigall y <sup>e</sup> Daughter of Edward Clap		1 <sup>d</sup> (3) 59



Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of William Blake Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>d</sup> (5) 59  
 Hanah y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of William Sumner Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 being borne about a month before at Boston  
 & baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>d</sup> (5) 59  
 John  
 Johnathan & } Blackman y<sup>e</sup> Children of  
 Sarah } John Blackman 17<sup>d</sup> (5) 59  
 Judith y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William pond Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13<sup>d</sup> (8) 59  
 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Rodger Belleng Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 (9) 59  
 Sherebiah y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Henery Kibby Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 (10) 59  
 on a publique day of thanksgiving & he gave y<sup>e</sup> reason of  
 his nameing his Sonne by y<sup>t</sup> name: w<sup>ch</sup> was because he had  
 p<sup>r</sup>vailed with god by prayer for him

## 1660

Mercy; y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Ralph Huchenson Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of  
 the 1 Mo 5<sup>9</sup> her mother being a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at  
 Boston & her father being a non-member  
 Johnathan y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Daved Joanes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 of y<sup>e</sup>  
 (1) 5<sup>9</sup>  
 Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Isack Joanes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 of y<sup>e</sup> (1) 5<sup>9</sup>  
 Susanna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Aron Way baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1 day of y<sup>e</sup> (2)  
 month 1660 being about 2 or 3 months old at this time but  
 not baptized tell now being borne at y<sup>e</sup> farme wher they  
 now live:  
 Thankfull the daughter of Amiell weecks  
 baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 (2) 1660

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## Baptismes 1660

John & }  
 Joseph } Garnesy baptized the 29 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 60  
 y<sup>e</sup> elder being about 12 years old & the other about a yeare  
 & half younger  
 Ickabod y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Jeremy Rodgers his mother being re-  
 moved to Nashaway but brought hether to be  
 baptized the 27 (3) 60  
 Theophelus y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of m<sup>r</sup> William Poolle his father &  
 mother being members of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Tanton by com-  
 munion of Churches was baptized the 3 of y<sup>e</sup> (4) Mo 1660  
 Johnathan y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of James Blake baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 (5) 1660  
 Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Nicholas Laurenc Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 (6) 1660



[Mary] y<sup>e</sup> Dafter of Jacob Hewens baptized y<sup>e</sup> Same day  
 Renew y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of William Weikes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 (6) 60  
 John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samson Mason baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 y<sup>e</sup> (7) 60  
 being about 4 years old when he was baptized because his  
 father in his Judgment was & is against y<sup>e</sup> baptizing of in-  
 fants yet he being at Seaconck doe p'mite y<sup>e</sup> bro<sup>r</sup> Gornell (w<sup>th</sup>  
 whom y<sup>e</sup> Child doe dwell) may bring it forth to be baptized  
 Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas Trot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 of ye (8) Mo 60  
 being about 4 or 5 weeeks old  
 Caleb y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Robert Badcock baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 (8) 60  
 at 2 or 3 months old.

## [192]

1660

1661

Supply the Sonne of Rogger Clap baptized the 4 of y<sup>e</sup> (9) 1660  
 Stand-fast the Sonne of Hopstill ffoster baptized the 25 (9)  
 1660

Mary y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Thomas Moadesly  
 baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 of y<sup>e</sup> (11) 60

The 13 of y<sup>e</sup> (11) 60 was baptized Martha the daughter of  
 William Trescot & Enock the Sonne of Enock Wiswell

The same day was dismissed Richard Collicot & his wife  
 to Joyne to y<sup>e</sup> new Church at Boston

Also Abraham Staple dismissed y<sup>e</sup> same day to Joyn to y<sup>e</sup>  
 Church at Waymouth

Deliverance the daughter of John Smith baptized the  
 24 (12) 60 being about a month old

1661

Ebenezer the Sonne of petter Lyon baptized the 3<sup>d</sup> (1) 61

Ebenezer the Sonne of Tho: Davenport baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 (2) 61

Martha y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Henery Merifeild was  
 baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 (2) 61

but was borne about 2 months before

Joshua the Sonne of Edward Clap baptized the 12 (3) 61

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Timothy Mather baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 (3) 61

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Blackman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 (4) 61

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Edmond Brown baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 (5) 61

John y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of Job Lane Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 (6) 61 being above  
 a quarter of a year old by reason of ther dwelling soe remote

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of Joseph Homes: baptized the 17 (9) 61

Constant y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Richard Withington y<sup>e</sup> same day





## [193]

1661

1662

Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of William pond baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 (11) 61  
Ebenezer the sonne of Isacke Joans baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 (12) 61  
being borne at boston about 7 or 8 weeks afore

The same day was baptized Experience y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
Rich: Haalle

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Samuell Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 (12) 61  
Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Trobridge baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 (1) 61  
being about a yeare & quarter old at that time y<sup>e</sup> wife being  
a member

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Enoch Wiswell baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 (2) 62

Edward y<sup>e</sup> sonne of William Blake baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13 (2) 62

James y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of James Bate was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 (2) 62

Zipporah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Roger Belleng was

Baptized ye 22 (4) 62

being about a month old: at y<sup>e</sup> birth of whom her mother  
dyed

Mindwell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Trobridge Baptized y<sup>e</sup> same  
day

Nicholas the Sonne of Nicholas Lauerence  
baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 (4) 62

Israell } minot the Sonnes of  
George & } James minot weer all  
James } baptized the 20 (5) 62

ther mother being lately admitted into full Communion: the  
first being about 6 years & 3 quarters old the Second

& the theird about 3 years old

Steven the Sonne of John Minot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 (6) 62

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jacob Hewens baptized the 31 (6) 62

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of David Joans baptized the 14 (7) 62

## [194]

1662

1663

The 21 of y<sup>e</sup> (7) 62 ther was baptized William y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of  
James Minot y<sup>e</sup> wife being a member &

Amiell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Amiell Weeks &

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Trescot

Hañah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Capen baptized the 5 of y<sup>e</sup> (8) 62  
being borne the 1 of y<sup>e</sup> (8) 62 in y<sup>e</sup> morning as soon as it  
was day light

Jane y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Weeiks baptized y<sup>e</sup> same time

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas peirce baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 (8) 62  
being about 3 months old y<sup>e</sup> wif a member



Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of petter Aspenall baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 (9) 62  
 Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Smith baptized the 28 (10) 62  
 Elizabeth the Daughter of Joseph Homes and

Hañah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Richard Baker weer both of them  
 baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 of y<sup>e</sup> (11) 62

COTTON MATHER the Sonne of m<sup>r</sup> INCREASE  
 MATHER baptized at Boston (By old m<sup>r</sup> Wilson) y<sup>e</sup> 15  
 (12) 62. being borne there (He has been abt 20 years  
 Pastor of y<sup>e</sup> North Chh in Boston  
 Anno 1705.)

Richard y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Hope-still ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 (1) 63  
 Increase y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas Moadesly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 (2) 63  
 Ebenezer the Sonne of Robbert Badcock baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 of ye  
 (5) 63 being about 7 months old when he was baptized

Petter y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of petter lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 (7) 63

Atherton Mather y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Timothy Mather  
 baptized the 4 (8) 63

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Blackm[an] was  
 baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 (8) 63

## [195]

1663

1664

Hopstill the sonne of Robbert Badcock baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 (9) 63  
 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Minott Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 (10) 63  
 his wife being a member

Daniell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Daniell ffisher baptized y<sup>e</sup> same time  
 his mother being a member

Experience y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Will<sup>m</sup> pond & Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
 Isack Joans baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3 of y<sup>e</sup> (11) 63

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of George Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 (12) 63  
 being about 10 days old at that time

John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell Clap and Margeret y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
 James bate weer both baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 (4) 64  
 y<sup>e</sup> wife of y<sup>e</sup> latter being a member

Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Joseph Homes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10 (5) 64  
 being about fortnight old or better y<sup>e</sup> wife being a member

Henery y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Henery Merrifeild baptized y<sup>e</sup> 31 (5) 64  
 being about 3 quarters old: and his wife being a member

Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Nicholas Lawerenc  
 baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 (7) 64

George y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of William weeks was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 (8) 64  
 and Moses y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of William Chaplain y<sup>e</sup> same time his  
 wife being a member

John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Tho: Davenport baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> (9) 64



David y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of David Joans was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 (9) 64  
 John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas Trot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 (10) 64  
 Oliver y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Enoch Wiswall baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 (11) 64  
 Martha y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Steven Minot was  
 baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 of (1) 65  
 being about 9 or 10 yeers of age his wife being lately  
 admitted into full Communion  
 Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Smith baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 (2) 65 :  
 [Mary] y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas perce baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 (2) 65  
 his wife being

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1665

a member & y<sup>e</sup> Child about 7 or 8 weeks old when baptized  
 Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Moadesly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 (3) 65  
 Hannah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Rb Badcock baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 (3) 65  
 being about a quarter yeer old  
 Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Amie Weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day  
 being about fortnight old  
 Mehitabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Steven Minot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 (4) 65  
 & Experience y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Blake y<sup>e</sup> Same day  
 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Trescot y<sup>e</sup> 2 (5) 65  
 Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Minot Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 (5) 65  
 Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Lewice Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 (6) 65  
 y<sup>e</sup> father being a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Lanchaster rec-  
 ommended unto this Church

The same day was Sarah y<sup>e</sup> wife of Timothy Tilston baptized —  
 who was not baptized till now & this day was first admitted  
 a member in full Communion Timothy y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Timothy  
 Tilston baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3 (7) 65 being about a yeere old Ruth y<sup>e</sup>  
 daughter of Timothy ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day being about  
 half yeer old Israell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of petter Lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
 same day also

Mehittabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Minot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> (7)  
 65 his wife being a member in full Communion

## [197]

Baptismes 1665

1666

The 10<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> (10) 65 was baptized thes p'sons viz :  
 Obediath y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Obediah haaws aged between two and  
 3 yeers old and James y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Obediah Haws  
 preserved y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell Sumner aged about 6 yeers





& Rebeckah aged 4 years & Mary aged about two years all thes three y<sup>e</sup> Children of Samuëll Sumner. alsoe  
 Susana y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> aged yeere &  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  
 Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James White all thes baptized the 10<sup>th</sup>  
 of y<sup>e</sup> (10) 1665

The 24<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 1665 was baptized the Children of  
 Robt Spurr who was latly admitted a member Viz

Mary aged                      who was a maryed woman

Johana aged

Waitstill aged

Elizabeth aged

John aged

Robert aged

patience aged

all thes y<sup>e</sup> Children of Robt Spurr

Benjamin y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Blackman the 31: (10) 65

Georg y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of William pond baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 (11) 65

1666: Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Blake baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 (1) 65

Samuëll y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuëll Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11

(1) 65

Dependance y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Rich: Halle baptiz: y<sup>e</sup> 25

(1) 66

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Timothy Tilstone baptized

y<sup>e</sup> 1 (2) 1666

John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>m</sup>

66 & borne y<sup>e</sup> same day in y<sup>e</sup> morning 2 howers

afore day.

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1666

1667

George y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of George Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 (2) 66  
 being about a quarter of a yeer old

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Richard Withington and Anna y<sup>e</sup>  
 daughter of Jacob Hewen weer both baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 (2) 66

The 17 4 66 was baptized

Thomas & { Elizabeth      Swift the Children of Thomas Swift Jun<sup>r</sup> who

lives at Milton y<sup>e</sup> father being latly admitted a member of  
 this church his sonne is at this time between 7 & 8 yers old  
 & y<sup>e</sup> daughter about 3 yers & 3 quarters.

The Same day also was baptized Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
 Joseph Homes (also Jonathan Jones about this time as He  
 can gather)

Silent y<sup>e</sup> daughter of thankfull Baker baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29th (5) 66



y<sup>e</sup> mother residing at this time in dorchester by Reasson her late husband John Baker is dead who latly lived at Boston Anna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Grenow of Boston baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 6 66

her mother being a member of y<sup>e</sup> North Church of boston but being delivered of Child at her father Swifts had her Child baptized by vertue of Communion of Churches

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Weekes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 (6) 66

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuëll Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 (7) 66

Israeli y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of peter Lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 (9) 66

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of deacon John Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> (10) 66 & was borne y<sup>e</sup> 29 day (11) 66 y<sup>e</sup> evening before y<sup>e</sup> day about 3 or 4 howers in y<sup>e</sup> night & dyed y<sup>e</sup> 17 2 80

1667 Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas Moadesly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 (1) 67

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Enoch Wiswall baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 (2) 67

John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of daved Joanes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 (3) 67

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1667

Barbara y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Chaplin baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 (3) 67 his wife being a member

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ezra Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 (4) 67 being borne awhile afore at Milton

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Robert Badcock baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 (5) 67 being about half a yeer old

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Nathan Bradly baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day

Noah y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Nicholas Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 (5) 67 being eight days old

Mindwell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William pond and Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Whit weer both baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 (6) 67

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of James Blak baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1 (7) 67

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Amiell Weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 (7) 67

Samuëll y<sup>e</sup> sonne of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 (8) 67 & borne y<sup>e</sup> 23 day about midnight

John & Sarah y<sup>e</sup> Children of John Homes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 of y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup> 67 on a thanksgivinge day ther mother being admitted y<sup>e</sup> Saboth before

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Timothy ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 9 67 being about a quarter old

John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas peirce baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 (10) 67 being about 2 months old



Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Tho Trot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 (11) 67  
being about a month or six weeks old

Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Blackman & Marah y<sup>e</sup> daughter  
of Jh homes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 of y<sup>e</sup> (2) 1668

Nathaniell &  
Salter &

Robert y<sup>e</sup> Children of Robt Searle all baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 (2) 68  
ther mother being lately admitted a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church

Agnes y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Blake baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day  
being about 6 months old

## [200]

1668

Sarah	}	y <sup>e</sup> Children of Henery Leadbetter baptized the 19 of y <sup>e</sup> (2) 68 being lately admitted a member & his wife
Katherin		
Deliverance		
Henery		

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of George Lyon baptised y<sup>e</sup> same day  
being lately admited a member & his wife

Role-en-god y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of m<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>n</sup> Cotton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3 of  
y<sup>e</sup> (3) M<sup>o</sup> 68 by vertue of Comunion of Churches his father  
being a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Boston but ther being noe  
officer to dispense y<sup>e</sup> ordinance for y<sup>e</sup> p<sup>s</sup>ent (Rowlandus Cotton minister of Sandwich 1698.)

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Jacob Hewens & Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
Joseph Weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 (3) 68

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Richard Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 4 68

Mehittabel y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 4 68

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sone of William Trescot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 5 68

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William pond y<sup>e</sup> same day

Abigall y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jn<sup>n</sup> Smith baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 (7) 68 and

Cornelius y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Timothy Tilston baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell Wodsworth baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13 (7)  
68 by vertue of Communion of Churches his father & mother  
being members of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Brantry but they having noe  
officers to dispense y<sup>e</sup> ordinance was baptized heer being  
about 5 or 6 months old at least

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Obelliah Haws baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 (10) 68

& Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Georg Sumner y<sup>e</sup> same time being  
about a quarter old

Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Nathaniell Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 (11) 68



## [201]

1668      1669      1670      1671

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Richard Hale baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 (12) 68  
 Naomy y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Timothy ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day  
 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Moadesly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21  
 (12) 68  
 peligg y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Joseph Homes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 (12) 68  
 Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized at Rocks-  
 bery by vertue of Comunion of Churches because M<sup>r</sup> Mather  
 was dead & we had non to dispense y<sup>e</sup> ordinance y<sup>e</sup> 25 (2) 69  
 & borne y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> day being tusday  
 Also Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Robt badcock 27 4 : 69  
 Ruth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Henery Leadbetter 31 8 Mo 69  
 Mehittabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of petter Aspenwall 19 10 Mo 69  
 Hester y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Enock Wiswell 2 11 Mo 69

1670

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Joseph Weiiks baptized also at Rocksbery :  
 3 : 2 Mo  
 Susana Bradly daughter of Nathan Bradly 8 3 Mo : 70  
 William Sonne of Tho Swift Jun<sup>r</sup> and Mary daughter of  
 [Samuell] Clap 15 : 3 Mo 70  
 John Sonne of James Whit 12 4 Mo 70  
 Mehitabell daughter of Isack Joanes and George Sone of  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Homes 10 : 5 : Mo 70  
 Experience daughter of Samucll Clap 31 5 Mo 1670  
 Samucll Sonn of Samucll paul 20 9 Mo 70  
 Sarah daughter of Nicholas Clap  
 Sarah daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen 11 10 Mo 70

1671

John Sonne of Nathanell Clap 9 2 Mo 71  
 Rebeckah daughter of William Chaplen 4 4 Mo 71

## [202]

1671

Unite Sonne of Thomas Moadesly 18 4 Mo 71  
 James Sonne of Thomas Trot 10 7 Mo 71  
 Elizabeth daughter of petter Aspenwall 26 9 Mo 71  
 Al thes abovesaid from the 25 2 69 weer baptized at Rocks-  
 bery haveinge none to dispense y<sup>e</sup> ordinance in o<sup>r</sup> Church

Benjamen Sonn of Nicho Lawrance  
 Adam Sonne of J<sup>nr</sup> Blackman  
 Desier Sonne of Obediah Haws





Benjamin Sonne of Jacob Hewens  
 Robt Sone of Thomas peirce  
 Hatherley Sone of Timothy ffoster  
 Supply Sone of Amiell Weeks  
 Sarah daughter of Timothy Tilston  
 Al thes weer Baptized by M<sup>r</sup> flint on y<sup>e</sup> 31 10 Mo 1671  
 Submit y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 12 71  
 Benjamin y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuel Wodsworth baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 12  
 71 his father being a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at brantree y<sup>e</sup>  
 Child was about half a yeer old at this time  
 Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuel Sumner baptized ye same  
 day  
 praisever y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Daved Joanes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10 (1) 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  being  
 about a quarter old  
 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Nathan Bradly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$   
 Susa<sup>n</sup>a y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Kingsly of Melton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7  
 (2) 72 she was William Danielis daughters Child who was a  
 member in full Com<sup>u</sup>nion but dyed in Childbed  
 & therefore y<sup>e</sup> mother being dead it was ques-  
 tioned by one of the breatheren whether y<sup>e</sup>  
 Child should be baptized, but y<sup>e</sup> Church saw noe  
 ground to deny it y<sup>e</sup> Child was about a year old  
 John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Bird 14 2 72

## [203]

1672

Robbert y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Robert Searle baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 3 72 being  
 about 3 quarters old his mother being a member  
 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> datter of y<sup>e</sup> Widdow minot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 4 72  
 her father Steven minot being dead  
 Johnathan y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Edward Blake baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 5 72 his  
 father being formerly a member of this church & after Joyned  
 to y<sup>e</sup> Second Church in Boston & now dwelling at Melton  
 Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Inceas Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 5 72  
 Henery & William y<sup>e</sup> Sons of Henery More baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
 4 (6) 72 y<sup>e</sup> eldest being about 2 yeer old thei<sup>r</sup> mother being  
 latly admitted  
 Susana y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Enock Wiswell baptize l y<sup>e</sup> same day  
 Rely y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Joseph Homes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 6 72  
 Edward y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Ezra Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 7 72  
 Dorothe y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 8 72  
 & borne y<sup>e</sup> 13 8  
 Hannah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuel paull baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 9 72  
 Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of m<sup>r</sup> Josiah flint baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 9 72 born  
 y<sup>e</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> day



Richard y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Obediah Haws baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 (10) 72  
 Unite y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 11 1672  
 Increase y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Henery Leadbetter baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 11 72  
 James y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of James Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 12 72 and Ruth  
 y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Eliazer Hawes the same day  
 James } y<sup>e</sup> Children of Obediah Swift baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
 Obediah & } 23 12 72 y<sup>e</sup> youngest being about 2 yeers &  
 Rest } half old  
 Experience y<sup>e</sup> dafter of James Whit baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 (1) 73  
 William y<sup>e</sup> Sone of William Chaplin baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 (1) 73

## [204]

1673

Mindwell y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Joseph weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13 2 73  
 Abiell y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 2 1673  
 Robt y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Thomas peirce baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 4 73 being  
 about half a yeer old  
 Eliab y<sup>e</sup> Sone of peter Lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 5 73  
 Mehitabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Toplif baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 6 73  
 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Tolman & John his sonne baptized  
 the 31 6 73 his wif being admitted  
 Johnathan y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Nathanell Clap & Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of  
 Thomas Modesly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 73  
 Dorothe y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 7 73  
 being the second of that name & borne y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> day being  
 tewsday a litle before night  
 Mehittabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Blake baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 9 73  
 being about half yeer old  
 Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Amiell Weeks & Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Withington boath baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 10 73  
 Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Richard Hale baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1 ffeb 1673  
 Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 12 73 &  
 borne the 1 12 being Sabath morning about day breaking:  
 Henery y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of M<sup>r</sup> flint baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 12 73 & borne y<sup>e</sup>  
 9<sup>th</sup> day in morning ( — that Child Died)  
 The 15 (1) 73<sup>rd</sup> was baptized  
 Hopestill y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Obediah Swift  
 Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Georg Sumner  
 Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell Sumner  
 & James }  
 Thomas } children of James Robinson his wife being latly  
 Samuell & } admitted  
 Mary }

all thes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 1 73<sup>rd</sup>  
 Ezbon y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Robert Searle baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 (1) 73<sup>rd</sup>



## [205]

1674

Anna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of George Lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 (2) 74  
being about 3 or 4 months old

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Tolman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 31 (3) 74  
her father & mother being lately admitted & ther same  
being baptized formerly at Linn by vertue of fathers Cov-  
enant

Thomas John & y<sup>e</sup> Children of Israell Mead baptized  
y<sup>e</sup> 30 (6) 74

(Joseph Son of Lieutenant R Hall baptized January 167<sup>3</sup>)

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Increas Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 7 74

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Jn<sup>e</sup> Tolman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1 (8) 74 being  
about two months old and

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Obediah Haws baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day

Abraham y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Blackman baptized 14 (12) 74

Mehitabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Chaplin & Nathan y<sup>e</sup>  
Sonne of Nathan Bradly weer boat baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 (1) 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> there  
mothers being members

Ezra y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Ezra Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 (1) 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> being about  
two months old

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell pale baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 (1) 75

Enock y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Enock Wiswell baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 (2) 75

Henery y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of M<sup>r</sup> Josiah Flint being y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> name  
baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 3 75

Returne y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuell Clap & John y<sup>e</sup> Son of James  
Robinson baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 (3) 75

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James ffooster baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 (4) 75 &  
borne the 17<sup>th</sup> day

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Homes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 (5) 75

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuell Toplif baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 (6) 75

## [206]

1675

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Obediah Swift baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 : 7 : 75  
Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Timothy ffooster & Damarise y<sup>e</sup>  
daughter of John Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 (7) 75

Martha y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James White baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3 8 75

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Timothy Tilston baptized 24 8 75

Repent y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Joseph weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 12 75

(Samuel y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuel Clap 76)

Me Joseph homes Child & henery leadbetters Child bap-





tized when my book was from home therefore it is to be enquired of them y<sup>e</sup> names & time & Hope Claps (.) Susan & Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> time to be enquired

thes are out of order

Amiell Weeks Child baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 3 76

John y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of Tho Moadesly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 (1) 7<sup>5</sup><sub>6</sub>

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuell Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 (1) 7<sup>5</sup><sub>6</sub>

Barnard y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Barnard Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 ap 76 & borne y<sup>e</sup> 25 76 about midnight

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell Capen being y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> name baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 9 75 borne y<sup>e</sup> 4 9 75 & dyed y<sup>e</sup> 6 January 1676 purches y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 9 75 & borne y<sup>e</sup> night before

thes two last should hav been set down before some y<sup>t</sup> are above

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Nathaniell Clap being 5 weeks old borne at Boston &

Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Son of Johnathan Hill weer both baptized y<sup>e</sup> 25 4 76

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Withington bap y<sup>e</sup> 13 6 76



[The editor here inserts a list found on two loose leaves of a book larger than the Church Book, but folded and kept in the latter, time out of mind.]

The names of Persons to bee Catechized in the Towne of  
Dorchester An<sup>o</sup> 1676.

Nehemiah Clap	28	Children frō 12 et infra	
Samuell Hall	25	Atherton Mather	12
Hopstill Uphrey	26	Obadiah Hawes	12
Joh. Triscott	24	Increase Moddsley	12
Isaack Umphrey	23	Barachiah Lewis	12
Jeams Blake	22	Timothy Tilestone	12
Elisha Foster	22	Steven Minot	12
Richard Mather	22	Atherton Mather	12
Eben: Hill's Serv <sup>t</sup>	25	Jeams Hawes	11
Jeames Baker	21	Joseph Soper	11
John Mason	21	Ebenezer Weeks	11
John Blackman	19	Jeames Smith	
Preserved Capin	19	Peter Lyon	11
John Blake	18	Gibson Farre	10
Thomas Lawrence		David Jones	10
Samuel Smith	17	John Trott	10
Comfort Foster	16	Oliver Wiswall	10
John Bolton	16	Elkanah Wales	10
John Lovell	16	Ebenezer Laurēce	10
Charles Davenp <sup>t</sup>	22	Hopestill Sand <sup>r</sup>	10
Jonathan Davenp <sup>t</sup>	16	Jonathan Jones	9
Jonathā Blackmā	17	Joseph Bird	9
Jonathan Hall	16	Benjamin Blackmā	9
Jonathan Jones	15	Thom: Modsly	9
Nathaniell Laurenc	15	John Capin	9
John Soper	15	Sam: Robinson	9
John Smith	19	Js Lyon	9
Jeremiah Hall	17	Jeams Swift	8
Samuell Plumb	15	John Jones	8
John Holmes	15	Joseph Hewen	8
Standiaſt Foſter	14	Joseph Blake	8
Joseph Mather	14	Noah Chip.	8
Nicholas Laurenc	14	Moses Hurs	8
Nicholas George	13	John Davenp <sup>t</sup>	8
Ebenezer Jones	13	Joseph Weeks	8



Robert Anniball	13	Samuell Capin	8
Joseph Hoppen	13	Joseph Triscot	7
Anmiell Weeks	13	Benjamin Beal	7
Samuell Trott	14	Nathaniell Clap	7
Joseph Curtis	14	Tho: Andrews	7
Samuell Smith	13	Sam: Clap	7
Ebenezer Lyon	14	Corneli <sup>o</sup> Tilestō	7
		Joseph Nap.	7

Hen. Leadbetter

Tho. Lyon

George Lyon

Thom: Tolman

### The names of young Maids in Dorchester

Sarah Davenport	31	Mary Cartwright	12
Anna Davenport	24	Sarah Triscott	12
Thankfull Baker	24	Joane Weeks	12
Elizabeth Hall	22	Mary Blackman	12
Patience Atherton	22	Sarah Holmes	12
Sarah Blackman	21	Susanna Capin	11
Mary Linckolne	20	Mary Jones	11
Katherine Mather	20	Mary Modesly	11
Sarah Dickerman	20	Ruth Foster	11
[Mary Howe]	20	Sarah Smith	11
Martha Minot	20	Mehitabell Rigby	11
Mary Weeks	20	Elizabeth Triscott	10
Elizabeth Rocket	19	Hannah Hewin	10
Esther Clap	19	Mary long	10
Mary Laurence	19	Mary Holmes	10
Abigail Triscott	19	Elizabeth Tilstone	10
Mary Foster	18	Mehitabell Minott	10
Elizabeth Weeks	18	Elizabeth Capin	9
Sarah Pond	18	Silence Baker	9
Waitstill Smith	17	Hannah Clap	9
Elizabeth Baker	17	Thankfull White	9
Patience Laurēc	17	Eliz Wiswall	9
Susanna Lyon	17		
Sarah Leadbetter	16	Bethiah Lewis	8
Judith pond	16	Hannah Smith	8
Hannah Jones	16	Sarah Weeks	8
Deliverance Smith	16	Thankfull Bird	8
Eliz [Grose]		Eliz Foster	8
Martha Triscott	15	Mary Bradley	8



Thankfull Weeks	15	Abigail Ball	8
Mary Wales	15	Mary Rigbey	8
Elizabeth Anniball	15	Mary Robinson	7
Thankfull Pond	14	Thankfull Trott	7
Renew Weeks	14	Thankfull Troughbridge	7
Hannah Wiswall	14	Mary Pond	7
Mary Smith	14	Sarah Baker	7
Experience Hall	14	Mehitabell Bird	7
Hanna Capin	13	Naomi Foster	7
Hannah Baker	13	Martha Hill	7
Rebecka Laurence	13	Mary Ellen	7
Eliz. Rigby	13	Katherine Leadbetter	
Rest Swift	13	Deliverance Leadbetter	
		Eliz. Tolman	
Eliz Jones	12		





## [207]

1676:

Benjamin y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Inceas Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 Sep  
76 being about a quarter old Josiah y<sup>e</sup> Son of M<sup>r</sup> flint bap:  
y<sup>e</sup> 8 8 76

Edward y<sup>e</sup> Son of Georg Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 8 being  
about 5 weeks old

Abigall y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Obediah Swift baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 11 76

Benjamin y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of John Tolman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 11 76

Abigall } y<sup>e</sup> Children of daniell

Mary & } preston Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized

John } y<sup>e</sup> 28 11 76

John Beaman y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Beaman of Lanchester bap-  
tized 1 Ap 77 his wife being a member of that Church before  
y<sup>e</sup> warrs discepatet them

Silence y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James ffoster was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 2 77  
& borne y<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 2 77

John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell Clap & Benjamin y<sup>e</sup> Son of Will<sup>m</sup>  
Cheny baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13 3 77 y<sup>e</sup> last of thes his mother is a  
member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at meadfeild

Josiah y<sup>e</sup> Son of Ebenezer Williams baptized ye 20 3 77 his  
wife being in full comunion

Hanah

patience

Sarah

Thomas

} y<sup>e</sup> Children of Thomas Holman bap: 27 3 77

Deborah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Robt Searll baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10 4 77

The 1 5 77 weer baptized thes p'sons

William

Abigal

Elizabeth

Susana

Samuell

Cornelius

Hanah

Joseph

} The Children of y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Salsbery latly ad-  
mitted to full Comunion the fower first named  
weer adult & did p'sonally owne y<sup>e</sup> Covenant  
& Submitted themselves to y<sup>e</sup> goverment of  
Christ in y<sup>e</sup> Church

The 29 5 77 weer baptized

Samuell & } y<sup>e</sup> Sone & daughter of Nathaniell Wales both  
Mary Wales } of them being Adult & p'sonally owned their  
grandfathers Covenant & Submitted to y<sup>e</sup> goverment of  
Christ in y<sup>e</sup> Church



## [208]

1677

The same day was baptized  
Elkanah & ) y<sup>e</sup> Children of John Wales Sen<sup>r</sup> y<sup>e</sup> last  
Content Wales ) being adult & did p<sup>'</sup>sonally owne y<sup>e</sup> Cove-  
nant

Nathanell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Nathaniell Glover baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 6 77  
the father being not in full Communion but by owning y<sup>e</sup>  
Covenant

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ezra Clap baptized 19 6 77

Samuell & Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> Children of Samuell Hix, baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
19 6 77 y<sup>e</sup> father was lately admitted a member

Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Enock Wiswell & ffreegrace y<sup>e</sup> Son of  
peter lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 7 77

The same day was baptized Mehittabel & Hanah y<sup>e</sup> Chil-  
dren of John Carnesy who was not in full Communion  
Rebecka & ) Tucker baptized the 9 7 77 their mother being  
Experience ) in full Communion

The same day or y<sup>e</sup> next Sabath was baptized

Henery

Thomas } y<sup>e</sup> Children of Thomas Vose their mother being  
Elizabeth } in full Communion

Jane

Richard & ) Billeng baptized the 23 7 77 the Children of  
Ebinezzer ) Ebenezzer Belleng not in full Comunion but by  
owning y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Mary Holman y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Tho Holman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 :  
8 77 her parents in full Communion

☞ The same day was baptized Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of M<sup>r</sup>  
Mihill minister at Milton by vertue of Communion of Churches  
of w<sup>ch</sup> he is a member

Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 8 77  
borne y<sup>e</sup> 7 8 77 y<sup>e</sup> night following about midnight

The same day was baptized Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
Samuell paul

Jemimah

Edward & } y<sup>e</sup> Children of John Breck ther parents own-  
Elizabeth } ing the Covenant

## [209]

1677

Hopestill y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 8 77  
borne ye 13 8 77 about y<sup>e</sup> middle of y<sup>e</sup> day



The 28 8 M<sup>o</sup> 77 was baptized

Isack	}	Ryall y <sup>e</sup> Children William Ryall, ther mother in full Communion
Mary		
Hanah		

The 1 9 77 baptized

Ruth	}	y <sup>e</sup> Children of Isack Ryall ther mother in full Communion
Mary		
Anna		
Samuell		

The 11 9 77 baptized Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Whit

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Thomas Swift baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 9 77

The same day was baptized

John	}	y <sup>e</sup> Children of Samuell Maxfeild ther mother in full Communion
Ebenezer		
Mary &		
Mehittable		

Mathias & } Children of Mathias Ewens baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 10 77

Susana y<sup>e</sup> } not in full Communion

Hannah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 10 77

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Hopestill Clap & Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John White whos wife was a member of y<sup>e</sup> North Church in Boston weer baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 11 77

patience y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Toplif baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 11 77

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of William Chaplin baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 12 77 being about half a yeer old

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Ebenezer Williams baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 (1) 78 his wif being in full Communion and Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Roger Willic baptized y<sup>e</sup> same time his wif being a member & he a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Sudbury

Dorothe y<sup>e</sup> daughter of M<sup>r</sup> filint baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 3 78 & borne y<sup>e</sup> night before

## [210]

1678

The 26 3 78 was the wife of Richard Butt baptized being lately admitted a member: and y<sup>e</sup> same time her Children weer also Baptized Whos names are

Smith	}	(Woodward)
Nathanell		
Sherebiah		
Samuell &		

	}	(Butt)
Elizabeth		

	}	(Butt)
Elizabeth		

	}	(Butt)
Elizabeth		

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Roger Sumner & Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Lewice baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 June ther parents both of them being members of y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>h</sup> was at Lanchester





Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuell pelton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 5 78 parents not in full Comunion but y<sup>e</sup> mother owning y<sup>e</sup> Covenant  
 Same day was baptized Isack y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Isack How his wife being a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Ipswetch.  
 Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Increas Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 5 78 being about a quarter old more or less

The 28 July 78 was baptized

Richard } y<sup>e</sup> Children of Richard Euens ther parents being  
 Mary & } not in full Comunion but by owning y<sup>e</sup> Covenant  
 Rebeckah }

James y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Timothy Tilston baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 6 78

Israell y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of Henery Leadbetter bap y<sup>e</sup> 29 Sep 78

Ann y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Sumne bap y<sup>e</sup> 6 8 78

The 27 8 78 weer baptized Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Nathanell Clap & Edward y<sup>e</sup> Son of Georg Lyon

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Son of Richard Euen

John y<sup>e</sup> Son of Nathan Bradly

Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas Moadesly bap y<sup>e</sup> 10 9 78 being y<sup>e</sup> last baptized in y<sup>e</sup> old meeting hous

Remember y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of Daniell preston Jun<sup>r</sup> and

Susana y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Breck baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 No 78 being y<sup>e</sup> first day of meeting in the new meeting hous

## [211]

78

79

Theodora y<sup>e</sup> daughter of M<sup>r</sup> peter Thecher Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 of 9 78 her father being a member of y<sup>e</sup> third Church in Boston  
 Edward y<sup>e</sup> Son of Nehemiah Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 10 78 not in full Comunion

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Barnard Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 11 78 & borne y<sup>e</sup> 5 11 78 in full Communion

The 9 12 78 weer baptized

Abigal }  
 ffrances } y<sup>e</sup> Children of ffrances Bale, their mother being  
 Mary & } in full Comunion  
 Benjamin }

The same day was baptized

William y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of J<sup>r</sup> Trescot not in full communion

Jedediah y<sup>e</sup> Child of Samuell Wales baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 March 78 not in full Comunion

Henery y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Tolman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 (1) 78

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 (1) 78

Jabish y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Robt Searie baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 (1) 78



Ziporah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Beamon baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day  
y<sup>e</sup> mother being a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church w<sup>ch</sup> was at Lan-  
chester

Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Baker & Mary y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of  
Nathaniell Glover baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20. 2. 79

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Tho peirce & Ziporah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
Eben: Bellenge baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3. 3. 79 y<sup>e</sup> former in full  
Communion

Edward y<sup>e</sup> son of peter Talbut baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11. 3. 79 his  
mother being a member at Chilmsford

Daniell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Tho Tolman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 4 79

John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas Swift & John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Thomas  
Holman & Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Georg Sumner weer all bap-  
tized y<sup>e</sup> 22 June 79 being members of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Melton

The same day was baptized Unice y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Charles  
Davenport being not in full Communion

## [212]

79

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Sam<sup>ll</sup> Clap & James y<sup>e</sup> Son of James  
Whit weer baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13 5 79

Henery y<sup>e</sup> Son of Jno Garnesy baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 7 79 not in full  
Communion

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Son of Enock Wiswell baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 7 79

Jane

Abigall

Nathaniell

William

John

Elizabeth

} y<sup>e</sup> Children of Edward Vose their mother being  
admitted about two years before into full Com-  
munion but not baptized till now this 28 7 1679

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 8 79 borne  
y<sup>e</sup> 23 7 79 at night

Martha y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Ryall baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 9 79

Hopetill y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Hopetill Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 9 79

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Son of Joseph Leeds baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 10 79

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Obediah Swift baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 11 79

Barachiah & Hafnah y<sup>e</sup> two Children of Rich<sup>d</sup> Butt baptized  
y<sup>e</sup> 11 11 79 being twins y<sup>e</sup> mother being in full Communion

Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Toplif Baptized y<sup>e</sup> last of  
ffeb 1679

James y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Hopetill Humfry baptizel y<sup>e</sup> 14 March  
79 or 80



Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell paull & prudence y<sup>e</sup> daughter  
of Jn<sup>o</sup> pason  
& Israell & ) y<sup>e</sup> Sone & daughter of Israell How and Abra-  
Susana ) ham y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Isack How whos mother is  
a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Ipswich all thes weer baptized  
y<sup>e</sup> 3 of May 1680  
Judith y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ezra Clap & William y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Isack  
Ryall & Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Tho Andrews all baptized  
y<sup>e</sup> 9 3 80

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Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Roger Belleng Jun<sup>r</sup> not in full Commu-  
nion & of Jn<sup>o</sup> Bird baptized the 16 3 80  
James y<sup>e</sup> Son of James Tucker baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13 4 80  
Ephraim y<sup>e</sup> Son of Simon peck a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at  
Hingham & Roger y<sup>e</sup> Son of Increas Sumner  
& Thomas & ) Children of Joseph Skelton weer all baptized  
Deborah y<sup>e</sup> ) y<sup>e</sup> 20 4 80  
Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Maxfeild baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 July 80  
not in full communion  
Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Son of M<sup>r</sup> flint baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 5 80 borne y<sup>e</sup>  
night before  
William y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Trescot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 25 5 80 at a fort-  
night old  
Richard y<sup>e</sup> Son of Jn<sup>o</sup> Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 6 80  
(Hannah daughter of Samuell Clap. Sept. 1681 baptized at  
Roxbury)  
Ann y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Thomas Holman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 6 80 his  
wife being a member of this Church & he a member of y<sup>e</sup>  
Church at Melton  
Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of Barnard Capen baptized at Melton we  
haveing noe officer to dispence it borne y<sup>e</sup> 28 November 81  
Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell Capen Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 May 82  
at Melton & borne y<sup>e</sup> 30 Aprill 82 in y<sup>e</sup> morning  
Jacob y<sup>e</sup> Soñe of William Ryall & Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of  
Richard Butt baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 5 82 y<sup>e</sup> Lords Day being the first  
y<sup>e</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Danforth Baptized after his ordination which was the  
28 4 82 on wednesday  
Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Capen was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 5 82  
being almost half a yeer old &  
Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell Maxfeild baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day  
John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Breck baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 5 82 y<sup>e</sup> parents  
not in full Communion but by owning y<sup>e</sup> Covenant



The same day was baptized Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Tho:  
peirce

The 23 5 82 weer baptized thes y<sup>e</sup> follow

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presilla y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuella paal

Hannah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Jn<sup>r</sup> Baker

Ewnice y<sup>e</sup> dafter of James Bird

not in full Communion above a yeer old

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Son of James Robinson

Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Hopestill Humfry

4 months old parents not in full Communion

Zacery y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Trescot about 2 months old parents

not in full Communion all thes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 5 82

The 27 6 82 Samuella Trescot whos wif was Latly admitted  
had 5 Children baptized whos names weer

dye

Samuella

Jeremiah

Ebenezer &

Elizabeth

} Trescott

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Ezra Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 October 82

Ruth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Hopestill Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 8 82

y<sup>e</sup> 19 9 82 was baptized

Anna

Merriam

Sara &

Daved

(Smith)

} all thes y<sup>e</sup> Children of Meriam y<sup>e</sup> wif of Ellice  
wood in full Com<sup>n</sup>

Same day was baptized

William

Joshua

Thankfull

John &

Samuella

} y<sup>e</sup> Children of Joshua Henshaw not in full Com<sup>n</sup>  
but ther mother y<sup>e</sup> dafter of William Sumner  
owned ye Covenant

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuella Wales baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 9 82 y<sup>e</sup>  
parents not in full Communion

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Richard Mather baptized y<sup>e</sup> same  
time his wife had owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant at Rocksbery but not  
in full Communion

Deliverance y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuella pelton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3  
Decem 82 being about 39<sup>t</sup> of a yeer old not in full Communion

Robt y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Jn<sup>r</sup> Breck not in full Communion and

Bathshebah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuella Hall not in full Communion





both weer baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10 10 82 y<sup>e</sup> last of thes was about a q<sup>r</sup> old

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of John Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 January 1682

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John y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuella pelton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 11 82 not in full Commun

Edward y<sup>e</sup> Son of Timothy ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 11 82 his wif being a member of y<sup>e</sup> Church at Charlstown

Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Thomas Trot Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized same day not in full Commun

Enock & ) y<sup>e</sup> Children of Enock Wiswell baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 of Ebenezer | March 83 being twins

Josiah & ) Children of Henery Whit baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 (1) 83 Mary y<sup>e</sup> ) the mother being one y<sup>e</sup> had owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Tolman & Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James ffoster & Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of preserved Capen weer all baptized y<sup>e</sup> first of Aprill 83: y<sup>e</sup> last of thes was borne the 27 March between 8 & 9 a'clock at night

Amiell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Amiell Weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 2 83 not in full Commun

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuella Trescot & Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezer Belleng & John y<sup>e</sup> Son of Roger Belleng weer all baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 2 83. y<sup>e</sup> Second not in full Commun

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Consider Atherton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 2 83 being about a year old or more y<sup>e</sup> mother brought it forth & y<sup>e</sup> Elder declared y<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Cobbit y<sup>e</sup> Elder at Ipswich recomended y<sup>e</sup> grandmother of y<sup>e</sup> Child to o<sup>r</sup> Church & desiered y<sup>t</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Child might be baptized though (y<sup>e</sup> mother) not in full Commun nor y<sup>e</sup> father himself but by owning y<sup>e</sup> Covenant y<sup>e</sup> 27 May 83 was baptized

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> wife of Watching Atherton & dafter to Samuella Rigby: she being adult & had owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Mehittabell y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuella Rigbee in like condition & Capaccetie was then baptized

Also John & Silence y<sup>e</sup> Children of Samuella Rigby by his Second wife who had also owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Also Elizabeth & patience y<sup>e</sup> Children of Watching Atherton aforesaid all baptized y<sup>e</sup> foresaid day



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Johnathan y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Daved Joanes baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 June 83  
also

John & Sarah } y<sup>e</sup> Children of John Mason baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day  
                  } not in full Communion but by owning y<sup>e</sup> Covenant  
                  } y<sup>e</sup> 10 4 83 was baptized

James Smith & y<sup>e</sup> Sone & dafter of John Smith deceased  
Mary Smith } but ther mother y<sup>e</sup> wif of Ellice Wood was  
in full Communion & James & Mary being adult had y<sup>e</sup> same  
day owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuells Wales baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 4 83 not in  
full Communion but y<sup>e</sup> parents owning y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

The 24 4 83 weer baptized

Joseph all thes y<sup>e</sup> Children of Thomas Bird their mother  
Thankfull being latly admitted into full Communion

Sarah

Thomas

Ann

Mary

Submit &

Mercy

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Consider Atherton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1 July  
83 mother in full Communion and Jotham y<sup>e</sup> son of Benjamin  
Carpenter y<sup>e</sup> mothers name was Renew y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Will-  
iam Weeks not in full Communion : baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day y<sup>e</sup>  
Child being about 3 quarters old or more sucking at y<sup>e</sup>  
mothers brest

Deliverance y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Daniell preston Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
15 5 83

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Nathaniell Glover baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
29 5 83

Edward y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuells Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 of Octo 83  
being borne y<sup>e</sup> 24 Sep 83

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Henry Whit baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 9 83. y<sup>e</sup>  
mother had owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

James y<sup>e</sup> Son of Israell How baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18 9 83

Elijah y<sup>e</sup> Son of M<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>e</sup> Danforth & Experience y<sup>e</sup> dafter of  
desier Clap weer both baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 10 83 & both borne y<sup>e</sup>  
31 9 83 in y<sup>e</sup> evening of y<sup>e</sup> day



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patience y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 december 83

paule y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Charles davenport baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3 ffeb 83

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Sone of James Bird not in full Communion and

Abia y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samucll Trescot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10 ffeb 83

John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of phillip withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 ffeb 83 not in full Communion

Judith y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samucll Maxfeild baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 (1) 84

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Mary Taylor baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 1 84 y<sup>e</sup> mother being latly admitted to full Communion and y<sup>e</sup> Child being about half year old

The 13 2 84 weer baptized thes psons following

Timothy	{	y <sup>e</sup> Children of Teage Crehoar y <sup>e</sup> mother being
Ann		y <sup>e</sup> dafter of Robt Spur who owned y <sup>e</sup> Covenant
John		in M <sup>r</sup> Mathers time Timothy & Ann did p'son-
Rebecah &		ally owne y <sup>e</sup> Covenant being adult
Mary		

Alsoe y<sup>e</sup> same time was baptized

Nathanell & { y<sup>e</sup> sons of Nathanell wiet their mother being  
Edward { y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Robt Spur who did alsoe owne  
y<sup>e</sup> Covenant when her Sister did as above

Samucll y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 3 84

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Rich Butt & Rath y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Hopestill  
Humphry who had owned ye Covenant & Eliza-

July 18, 84  
E. H. Baker beth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of James Barbour whos mother was in  
born. full Communion weer all baptized y<sup>e</sup> 18. 3. 84

Margeret y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Watching Atherton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10 6  
84 y<sup>e</sup> mother had owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

Increase y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samucll Sumner baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 6 84

Mehittabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Nathael Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 31 6 84

Samucll y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Increase Sumner &

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Joseph Leeds baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 7 84

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of danell preston Jun<sup>r</sup> &

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Joshua Henshaw baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 8 84  
not in full Communion y<sup>e</sup> latter.

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Johnathan & ) Children of Nathapell Wiet baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10 8 84  
Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> other mother having formerly owned y<sup>e</sup> Cove-  
nant but their father cast out of y<sup>e</sup> Church





Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Capen Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 8 84  
& y<sup>e</sup> same day his Sone Samu<sup>l</sup> & dafter Susana admitted  
into full Communion: Hanah was borne y<sup>e</sup> 21 day in y<sup>e</sup>  
Morning

Waitstill y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samu<sup>l</sup> Toplif & prudence y<sup>e</sup> dafter  
of Timothy ffofter baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 9 84

The 7 10 84 weer baptized

	Martha	} all y <sup>e</sup> Children of Henery Roberts ther mother latly in full Comunion
	Dorothy	
(Oct. 24 Rob. Triscot born)	John	
	Henery & Sarah	

(9. 9. Eben. son  
of Sam Jones). Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Breck baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21  
10 84 being about three weeks old parents not in  
full Comunion

(Janr. 9. 84  
Rog. Billeng  
born) John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Garnesy baptized y<sup>e</sup> same  
day at fortnight old parents not in full Comunion

(Janr. 8. 84  
Eb. Lawrence  
born.) Anna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James ffofter baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1  
feb 84

(Janry. 3. 84  
Sam. Mather  
born) Samu<sup>l</sup> y<sup>e</sup> Son of Richard Mather baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9  
12 84 being about two months old not in full  
Comunion

(Feb. 4. 84 Expt. Barber born.)	Moses	} y <sup>e</sup> Children of Goody Nile of Brantry y <sup>e</sup> dafter of Roger Belleng (who had for- merly owned y <sup>e</sup> Covenant) weer baptized
(March. 14. 85 Kathrine Bird born)	Mary &	
	Abigall	

The same day was baptized Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Henry  
Withington

June 27 Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezer davenport baptized  
85 y<sup>e</sup> 28 June not in full Comunion y<sup>e</sup> Child borne  
Sam How formerly  
born

John y<sup>e</sup> Son of Barnard Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 of July 85 &  
born y<sup>e</sup> 30 4 85 & y<sup>e</sup> same day baptized Edward y<sup>e</sup> son of  
Jn<sup>n</sup> pason & William y<sup>e</sup> son of Henry Whit his wif y<sup>e</sup> daugh-  
ter of Will<sup>m</sup> Weeks & not in full Comunion: & y<sup>e</sup> same time  
baptized

Comfort & ) y<sup>e</sup> twins of Nathaniell Wiet who stood excomu-  
Standfast ) nicated & his wif not in full Comunion

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Thomas peirce & Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> sone of  
James Whit baptizel y<sup>e</sup> 12 5 85 y<sup>e</sup> first of thes was born  
somewhat before Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ephraim pason bap-  
tized y<sup>e</sup> 26 July 85 & Waitstill dafter of William Ryall bap-  
tized y<sup>e</sup> 26 5 85



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Hephzibah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezer Belleng &  
Susana y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuells paule baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 5 85

The former not in full Comunion

Ruth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of John Tolman and Samuells y<sup>e</sup> son of Samuells Wales baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 6 85 y<sup>e</sup> later not in full Comunion

William y<sup>e</sup> Son of Ezra Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16 6 85

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Bolton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 6 85

(July 20. 85  
John Hobby) Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of phillip Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 Sept 85 not in full Comunion

(Sept 16  
Hannah  
Blake  
born) Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Hope Clap & Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of James Blake baptized 27 7 85

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sone of M<sup>r</sup> Danforth baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 9 85

(Jan<sup>y</sup>. 7. 85  
Isack Wiswall  
born) Isack } y<sup>e</sup> Children of Isack Ryall baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
Jerusa & } 15 9 85 not in full Comunion  
Zebiah }

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Tho Trot Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y 23 No 85

(March 21. 85  
Eli. Everinden  
born) Thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Blackman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 12 85 not in full Comunion

(22. 2. 85  
John Pelton  
born) Samuells y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuells Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 1 85 & born y<sup>e</sup> 14 day a litle afore day

Elijah & { y<sup>e</sup> Children of James Taylor y<sup>e</sup> was marryed to  
Elisha { Will<sup>m</sup> Chaplins dafter baptized y<sup>e</sup> Same time y<sup>e</sup>  
mother in full Comunion they weer twins

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of desier Clap & Nathaniell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Israell How baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 (2) 86

preserved y<sup>e</sup> Sone of preserved Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 of aprill 86 born y<sup>e</sup> 10 instant about y<sup>e</sup> middle of y<sup>e</sup> afternoone

Bebee y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Bird Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Elhanan Lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 3 86 not in full Comunion either of them: y<sup>e</sup> latter was about half a yeer old liveing at Boston

Icabod y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuells Maxfeild and John y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Bolton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 of May 86 y<sup>e</sup> later not full Comunion

Benjamin y<sup>e</sup> Son of Thomas Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 June 86 being 2 or 3 months old y<sup>e</sup> mother in full Comunion

Ithamar y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuells pelton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 4 86 not in full Com

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John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Robert Avery of deadham baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 4 86 by vertue of Comunion of Churches they haveing none to to administer y<sup>e</sup> ordinance



(Mr John Avery y<sup>e</sup> pastor of Truro ordained Nov. 1. 1711.)  
 John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Nicholas Georg baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 5 86 his  
 mother was Timothy walls his dafter she owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant  
 formerly

Mehitabell y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Inrese Sumner &  
 Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Noah Beaman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 25 5 86 both  
 in full Co<sup>m</sup>union

John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Thomas Andrews &  
 Ezekell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell Trescot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1 : 6 : 86  
 both ther wives in full Co<sup>m</sup>union  
 y<sup>e</sup> 23 6 86 was baptized y<sup>e</sup>

William } Children of y<sup>e</sup> Widdow Lawrance y<sup>e</sup> first was  
 patience & } borne before maredg to Nicholas Lawrence she  
 Ebenezer } was latly taken in to full Co<sup>m</sup>union

William y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Roger Belleng baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 Augst 86  
 being about five weeks old

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Hopestill Humphry baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 7 86  
 not in full Co<sup>m</sup>union

Sarah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of ephraim passon & Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of  
 Henery Whit baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 8 86 y<sup>e</sup> last was [about] q<sup>r</sup> old  
 not in full [Co<sup>m</sup>union]

(Peter son of Elhanan y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Elhanan Lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 7 9  
 Peter Lion 86 being some months old they liveing at Boston  
 born not in full Co<sup>m</sup>union  
 19 10. 86)

y<sup>e</sup> same day was baptized Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Son of Timothy ffoster  
 his wif being a member of some Church 7 9 86

Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Joseph Leeds baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 9 86 in  
 full Co<sup>m</sup>union

Hannah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of John Breck baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 9 86 not in  
 full Co<sup>m</sup>union

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19 10 86

Supply y<sup>e</sup> Son of Hopstill Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 26 10 86 & borne  
 y<sup>e</sup> night afore

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John pason baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 of feb 87 being  
 about 3 or 4 months old and

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Son of Richard Mather y<sup>e</sup> same day baptized not  
 in ful Co<sup>m</sup>union

patience ye daughter of James ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13 (11) 87,  
 being about 5 or 6 weeks old

Henery y<sup>e</sup> son of Henery Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27 (1) 87  
 being about two months old

John y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Trescot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 3 of Aprill 87



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July 27: 86  
William  
son of  
Roger Billenge  
born

patience y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Isacke Humphrey baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17 Ap 87 being about two months old her mother in full Co<sup>m</sup>union

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Henry Roberts baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day y<sup>e</sup> mother in full Co<sup>m</sup>munion

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuelli Toplif baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 2 87

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Blake baptized y<sup>e</sup> first of May 87 borne y<sup>e</sup> 26 2 87 about midnight y<sup>e</sup> night following:

James y<sup>e</sup> Son of James Barbor baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29 3 87 not in full Co<sup>m</sup>union and Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Son of Robt Spur Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day y<sup>e</sup> father owning the Covenant y<sup>e</sup> same time

Katteren y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Joshua Henshaw baptized 4 4 87 not in full Co<sup>m</sup>union

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuelli Hale baptized the 19 4 87 being about 10 weeks old not in full Co<sup>m</sup>union

John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Jn<sup>o</sup> Blackman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 6 87 not in full Co<sup>m</sup>union

William y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Tolman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 7 87

Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Mary Goodall who is y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Tho Modslly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 7 87

John y<sup>e</sup> Son of Nathaniell Glover baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2 8 87

Israell Stoughton Danforth Son of M<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Danforth baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16. 8. 87 borne y<sup>e</sup> 14 day

(March 21. 88  
Joseph son  
of Joseph  
Trescot born) Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Ryall & Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Daniell Preston Jun<sup>r</sup> & Ebenezer son of Phillip Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 25 10 87

Deiton y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Bird baptized about y<sup>e</sup> 23 8 87

(29. 2. 87  
Abigail Weeks  
born) Sarah & } The daughters of John Merrifeild & Hanah } grand daughters of Sister Merrifeild ther father being dead & they being adult weer baptized when they had owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant 8 11 87

Robt y<sup>e</sup> son of Isack Ryal bapt y<sup>e</sup> 15 11 87 not in full Co<sup>m</sup>union and

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Son of Charls Davenport baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day: in full Co<sup>m</sup>union

(William son  
of Peter Wood  
born May 7. 88) Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezer Joas baptized being about 3 q<sup>r</sup> old her mother latly owned the Covenant

(Nov. 15. 88  
John Wiswall) Hanah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Captin breck & Susanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuelli Strong baptz y<sup>e</sup> 26 12 87





John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell Wales baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 2 86 not in full  
Comunion

(March 10 83  
Hannah How born)

(Joseph How  
born March. 22 83)

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Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Roger Belleng baptised y<sup>e</sup> 15 2 88  
being 7 weeks old

[Mary] daughter Silence y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Henery Withington baptized  
of Eben Williams y<sup>e</sup> 22 of y<sup>e</sup> 2 M<sup>o</sup> 88 y<sup>e</sup> father being dead  
born June 22 87

James y<sup>e</sup> Sone of James Blake Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
6 3 88

June 8. 87 precilla y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Bird and John y<sup>e</sup>  
Tho: Hill born Sone of Jn<sup>o</sup> Brown baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 of May 88

Hanah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Benjamen: Carpenter baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 5 88  
being about a q<sup>r</sup> old not in full Comunion

July 2. 87 Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Timothy foster baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
Hannah Hobby 21 8 88  
born

Benjamen The Son of John pason baptized y<sup>e</sup> 4 9 88  
March 30. 87 Susana y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Samuell Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
John Triscot 18 9 88 & borne y<sup>e</sup> 10 9 88  
born

July 11. 87 patience & 1 y<sup>e</sup> Children of Noah Beaman bap-  
Harah Baker Elizabeth } tized y<sup>e</sup> 16 10 88 being twins

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Son of Ebenezar Williams baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 10 88  
& dyed 27 day

[John son of Content Mason John y<sup>e</sup> Son of Hope Humphrey bap: y<sup>e</sup> 6 11 88  
born May 18. 83.) not in full Comunion

Aug: 8. 88 Preserved John y<sup>e</sup> Son of M<sup>r</sup> Jn<sup>o</sup> Danforth baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27  
Daughter of 11 8<sup>8</sup> borne 25 11 8<sup>8</sup>  
Desire Clap born

(Aug 6. 88 John y<sup>e</sup> Sone of James ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> 10  
Thankf. Rawson 12 8<sup>8</sup>  
born)

(Dec. 10 87 Jerijah y<sup>e</sup> Sone of hopstill Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 17  
Tho. Evans 12 8<sup>8</sup>  
born)

(March 2 83 Ruth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ephraim pason baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
Ruth Paison 3 of March 8<sup>3</sup>  
born)

(Nov. 3. 88 Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell pason baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
Josiah Kelly 10 of March 8<sup>8</sup>  
born)

(8. 5m. 88 Georg y<sup>e</sup> Son of Israell How and Mehittabell y<sup>e</sup>  
Jane Lion dafter of Amiell Weeks baptized y<sup>e</sup> 24 March 8<sup>8</sup>  
born)

(Zippora Goodal y<sup>e</sup> latter not in full Comunion  
for Bond  
Dec. 31. 87 John y<sup>e</sup> sonne of John Blak baptized y<sup>e</sup> 30 March  
born) 89 born y<sup>e</sup> 28 day & dyed y<sup>e</sup> 19 of april 89

(Sarah Roberts Eliakim y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Jn<sup>o</sup> Blackman baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
born 11. 2m. 87) same day

(John son of Hanah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Ebenezar Joans baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
Nathaniel Glover 7 april 89 this is out of order  
born Sep. 18. 87)



(Huldah Chandler  
March 13. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$   
born.) John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of John Glover baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 of  
May 89 not in full Communion  
(Robt Evirenden  
born Jan. 10 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) Doreas y<sup>e</sup> dafter of John Brown baptized y<sup>e</sup> 16  
4 89 wif a member Rocksbery

Waitstill y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Charles Davenport baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
21 5 89

John y<sup>e</sup> Son of Richard Euens baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 of Octo 89  
being about a year old

(Saml Son of Samuell Minot  
born Nov. 23. 87)

(Subm: White  
born Dec. 1. 88)

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(July 13. 89  
David Jones  
born) Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuell Hale baptized y<sup>e</sup> 13  
8 89

(Thomas  
Robinson  
29. 10. 89  
born) patience y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James Barbor baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
20 3 89

(May 3. 89  
Elizabeth Lion  
born) Mary y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Roger Belleng baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23  
No 89

(March. 26. 89  
Eliakim Blackman  
born) Robt y<sup>e</sup> Son of Robt Spur Jun<sup>r</sup> & Sarah y<sup>e</sup>  
daughter of Ineres Mosly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 10 89

(March 31. 88  
Sam. Robinson  
born) Susana y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Rigbe baptized  
y<sup>e</sup> 9 ffeb 89 or 90 after she had owned y<sup>e</sup> Cove-  
nant same day

(Saml Plum  
son of Susan Hall  
Dec. 23. 89) Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> Son of Samuell Topliff baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
16 ffeb 89 or 90

(July 1<sup>st</sup> 89  
Waitstill  
Davenport  
born) Tabitha y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Ebenezer Wales baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
23 ffeb 89 90 not in full Communion and

Silence y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Jn<sup>n</sup> Bird and Susane y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Jn<sup>n</sup>  
Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> same 23 feb. 89

(May. 31. 89.  
Benjamin  
Son of Ebenezer  
Bellenge born) Elizabeth } y<sup>e</sup> daughters of preserved Capen &  
& Mary } phillip withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 2

(4. 20. 88  
Daniel Maree  
born) March 90  
Henery y<sup>e</sup> Sone of James Bird baptized y<sup>e</sup> 23 of

March 90

Elhanan y<sup>e</sup> Son of peter Lyon baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11 of May 90  
(born May 4<sup>th</sup>)

[Mariah] y<sup>e</sup> dafter of William Ryall baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 4 90

(Aug. 15. 89  
Daniell Preston  
born) Comfort y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Standfast ffoster. baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
29 day of June at Milton y<sup>e</sup> mother being at her

(Sept. 6. 89  
Timothy  
Son of Sam.  
Jones born) father Holman by reason of y<sup>e</sup> Smal pox being at  
Tho Modesly hous

(27. 2. 89  
Mary Everender  
born) Steven y<sup>e</sup> Son of M<sup>r</sup> Mils was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 6 of  
July 90 being about 18 weeks old his mother  
owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant y<sup>e</sup> Saboth before

(27. 7. 89  
David Wyatt  
born) Kateren y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Joseph Mather baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
13 5 90



Unite y<sup>e</sup> Son of Hopstill Clap baptized y<sup>e</sup> 5 Octo 90  
 Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuel pason baptized y<sup>e</sup> 12 of Octo-  
 ber 90  
 Jemimah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of James ffoster baptized y<sup>e</sup> 21 10 90  
 Abiell y<sup>e</sup> Son of y<sup>e</sup> Widdow paale & Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Son of  
 Nathaniell glover both baptized y<sup>e</sup> 28 10 90  
 Abijah y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Bakers Widdow baptized y<sup>e</sup> 1 of  
 March 1691 (a posthumd infant that is born after His  
 fathers Death)  
 Josiah y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Blackman baptized y<sup>e</sup> 8 of March 91.  
 look more above

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Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Ebenezar Joans baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day  
 aforesaid  
 Johnathan y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuel Capen baptized y<sup>e</sup> 22 1 91<sup>o</sup>  
 (Hesther Dav-  
 enport born  
 feb. 11. 90) Increas y<sup>e</sup> Son of Inces Moadesly baptized y<sup>e</sup> 29  
 1 91 not in full Comunion  
 (19 feb. 90) Bathshebah y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Jn<sup>o</sup> pason baptized the 5  
 Miriam Trescot of aprill 91  
 (born)  
 (Sept. 14. 90) John The sons & dafters of John Minot who  
 (Mindwell Tiles- Israell dyed he & his wife in y<sup>e</sup> Smal pox latly  
 ton born.) Josiah whose Children weer not baptized in  
 Georg their life time y<sup>e</sup> last is a dafter. & John  
 Jerusha & Israell entered into Covenant also  
 Susana Susana Har[tt] who lived in his famely  
 (feb. 23. 89 90) not baptized till now though a grown maid her  
 Jerusha White father & mother dyed when she was yong  
 (born)  
 (Will. Weeks Relief y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Daniell preston Jun<sup>r</sup> baptized  
 born March 23. 89 90.) y<sup>e</sup> 3 of May 91  
 (Thomas son of Nath. Glover John y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Benjamin Carpenter baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
 26. 10. 90 born.) 21 4 91 being a q<sup>r</sup> old at least  
 (Sept. 17. 89) Bathshebah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Lyon y<sup>e</sup>  
 Patience Barbr Sonne of Georg lyon of Melton baptized y<sup>e</sup> 19  
 (born.) 5 91 not in full Comunion  
 (Dec. 29. 89) Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of Samuel Wales baptized y<sup>e</sup> 9 6  
 Hannah Evans 91 being admitted to full Comunion y<sup>e</sup> Sabath  
 (born) day afore but not then baptized till now in the  
 (Jan. 12. 89) forenoon before y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament w<sup>ch</sup> she was to  
 Sam. Mosely p'take of  
 of Increase.) (Nov. 4. 81) Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Noah Beman baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
 Nath. Rawson 23 6 91  
 (born)  
 (Feb. 9. 89 90) Samuel y<sup>e</sup> Sone of John Blake baptized the 27  
 Elizabeth daughter of Tho. Lamb Sept 91 born y<sup>e</sup> day before  
 (born.)  
 (Elizabeth of John Wood March 7. 90  
 born)





(28. 6. 90  
Aaron of  
Jos. Bird  
born.)

(Saml Breck  
Sep. 14. 90 born)

(25. 2. 91 born  
Zech: Lion.)

(29. 6. 91. born  
Elis Beaman.)

(Timothy How  
6. July. 91. born)

(Jan. 11. 92  
Hopstill Blake  
born.)

(March 8. 91.  
Jonathan Dier  
born of B[ath])

Joseph & ) y<sup>e</sup> Children of Joseph & Merriam  
Meriam } Trescot baptized y<sup>e</sup> 25 October 1691  
ther mother owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & their father  
went to Canada and not returned

Samuell y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Ebenezer belleng baptized  
y<sup>e</sup> 8 9 91 he in full Comunion

Abdiell y<sup>e</sup> son or dafter of y<sup>e</sup> Sister of Samuell  
Wales was baptized y<sup>e</sup> 20 10 91 by Comunion  
of Church she being a member of a Church in  
Boston but delivered at his hous

Susana y<sup>e</sup> dafter of Thomas Modesly Jun<sup>r</sup> was  
baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day not in full Comunion

Jacob y<sup>e</sup> son of Joseph Hewens baptised 10<sup>th</sup> January 1691

Gershom y<sup>e</sup> Son of Goody Patten baptised 24 January 1691

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An y<sup>e</sup> daughter Sam pason 7 feb 91

William y<sup>e</sup> Sone of phillip Withington baptized y<sup>e</sup> 14 ffeb 91

John y<sup>e</sup> Son of John Brown baptized y<sup>e</sup> same day he had  
owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant

(20. 7. 91  
Mercy Trot born)

(Abiel George  
17. 10. 91 born)

(Sarah Woodward  
20. 7. 91 born  
Saml Humfrey born

27. 6. 91.)

(Steven son of  
K. Billinge  
27. 6. 91)

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Trescot baptized y<sup>e</sup>  
20 (1) 91

John  
baptized y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> of (1) 92  
(31. 6. 91)

Elis weeks born)

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Blackman Baptized  
y<sup>e</sup> 1 May 92

(9. 6<sup>th</sup> 92  
Anna Bird Jos.  
Born.)

Mary y<sup>e</sup> wife of John Brown owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant  
15. 3. 92 (p. [137]).

(23. 12. 91 2  
Ebenezer Rawson  
born)

Susanah pope: }  
mary pope: } thes fower owned the cove-  
thankful pope } nantt and wer Baptised the  
Jane pope: } 29 may: 92

(3. 12. 91 or 92  
Anne paison  
born)

Elizabeth the daughter of Robert Spuer bap-  
tised y<sup>e</sup>: 5: June 92

(29. 2. 92  
Edw. Rawson born)

10. 4. 92 John Stiles Jos. Birds wife Sarah  
Leeds owned y<sup>e</sup> Covenant. [Page 137.]

Aron y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Joseph Bird was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 17 July 92

(Nath. Blake  
born  
16. 7. 92)

hannah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Joseph Bird was baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 7 Agust 92

mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of hopstill Clap was Baptised

y<sup>e</sup> 14 of July 92

hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Johnathan halle Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 21 Agust 92

nathanie'l y<sup>e</sup> Sone of Samuell Toplif



Elisabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Daniell Preston  
 Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sone of oliver Wiswall Junior he owning y<sup>e</sup> Cove-  
 nant that daye  
 Sarah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Smith woodward wer baptized y<sup>e</sup> 11  
 day September 92  
 Richard y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Samuell maxfeild was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 25  
 7<sup>mo</sup> 92  
 John y<sup>e</sup> Sonn of mary cocks baptised y<sup>e</sup> 16 8 month 92  
 mary ffoster y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jeames foster baptised y<sup>e</sup> 16  
 8<sup>mo</sup> 92  
 Anne y<sup>e</sup> daughter of preserved Capen baptised 13<sup>th</sup> no-  
 vemb. 92  
 Rebeckah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezer Joans Baptized y<sup>e</sup>: 18:  
 10<sup>mo</sup> 92  
 Thomas y<sup>e</sup> Sonne of Jeams Bird Baptized y<sup>e</sup> 15 January 93  
 Jemima y<sup>e</sup> daughter of William Ryall y<sup>e</sup> 29 January 93

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Elis. daughter  
 of S. Jones  
 12. 7<sup>mo</sup>. 92.) Elisabethe y<sup>e</sup> daughter of m<sup>r</sup> John Danforth  
 baptised y<sup>e</sup> 19 of february 1693  
 Jeams y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Ebenezar Davenport baptised y<sup>e</sup> 5 of  
 march 1693  
 same day were baptised  
 magreatt }  
 mary } thes 5 wer y<sup>e</sup> children of Susanah Cock y<sup>e</sup>  
 Sarah } daughter of goody pope She having owned the  
 John } covenant  
 thankfull }  
 Abigaill the daughter of Charls davenport baptised y<sup>e</sup> 12 of  
 march 1693  
 (Martha Horton  
 born 13. 12. 92) Abigaill y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Standfast foster bap-  
 tised y<sup>e</sup> 19 of march 93  
 (7. 7. 93 born  
 Martha Brown) Samuell y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Samuell Trott was baptised  
 y<sup>e</sup> 26 march 93  
 Ephraim y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Ephraim pason baptised y<sup>e</sup> 2 Aprill 93  
 Katherine y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Noah Beman baptised y<sup>e</sup> 23  
 Aprill 93  
 (23. 2. 93  
 Abigail Robinson  
 born  
 26. 2. 93 born  
 Robt. Merrifeild) Keziah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Benjamin Blackman bap-  
 tised y<sup>e</sup> 18 of June 93 he owning y<sup>e</sup> covenant  
 Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughters of Josepe Weeks bap-  
 Elizabeth tised y<sup>e</sup> 25 of June 93  
 Sarah



(7. 10<sup>m</sup> 93 born  
Meh. Hewens)

(24. 7. 92  
Irijah &  
Bezaleel Billinge  
born.)

(7. 7. 93  
Sam Web born)

(May. 9. 92  
Eleanor wood  
of Content Mason  
born)

(19. 8. 93 born  
Mary Evans)

Jane y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Bird baptised y<sup>e</sup>  
2 July 93

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Thomas Staples baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 16 July 93 he living at cambrig ther being  
no offeser ther having entred Into covenat had  
his child baptised heare

Ruthe y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Isack humphry was bap-  
tised y<sup>e</sup> 6 Agust: 93

Dorothy y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Joshua Story baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 27 Agust 93

Joanna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas Lyon baptised y<sup>e</sup> 3 Septem-  
ber 93

Joanna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuella Capen

hañah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Blaake

Samuella y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Samuella pason was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 10 Sep-  
tember 93

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Susan Capen born  
5. 7<sup>m</sup>. 93.

Martha y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Brown baptised y<sup>e</sup>  
24 September: 93

Elizabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Moses Aeres baptised y<sup>e</sup> 15 Ockto-  
ber 93

(Añ Rawson.  
28. 6. 93  
born.)

Ebenezer y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Mathias Evens baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 29 october. 93

[Jos. Blake 5. 6<sup>m</sup>. 93  
owned the Covenant  
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hopstill y<sup>e</sup> sone of Josephe Black: baptised y<sup>e</sup>  
5 of november 93

Submitt y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Bejamin carpenter of

Seacone baptised y<sup>e</sup> same day

Elisabeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Joseph Blacke baptised y<sup>e</sup> 10 de-  
cember. 93.

Daniell y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Daniell preston Juner baptised y<sup>e</sup> 21 day  
of december It being A day thanksgiving and  
was borne y<sup>e</sup> 10 december. 93.

(Josiah White  
30. 10. 91. born)

thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Smith Woodward bap-  
tised y<sup>e</sup> same day

(Sarah White  
11. 8. 93.)

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> sone of Joseph Leeds baptised y<sup>e</sup>

(Exercise Henshaw  
5. 10. 93 born  
of Sumner)

of Janu: 93: 4 he owning y<sup>e</sup> covenant.

(Jan. 10. 93  
Tm. Tolman born)

mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezer holmes baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 4 february 93

(Mireia wint  
febr. 4 93  
born)

Ane y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Joseph withington Baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 11 february 93 he owning y<sup>e</sup> covenant

[Jane] y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Blackman baptised y<sup>e</sup> 18 february 93

mehetable y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Roger Billing baptised y<sup>e</sup> 25 febu-  
ary 93

henery y<sup>e</sup> sonne of philip withington baptised y<sup>e</sup> 11 march 94



Elisebeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of John Triscott Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 27 of may 94

Elizebeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jonathan hall baptised y<sup>e</sup> same day

(David Patten  
born 27. 8. 94) Silence y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell Bellchar of Brantree was Baptised the 3 of June 94 shee owning y<sup>e</sup> covenant in our church

y<sup>t</sup> daye William y<sup>e</sup> sonne of John Cock was Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 24 June 94

Desier thes tow wer twins y<sup>e</sup> sonns of desier clap and wer William baptised y<sup>e</sup> 12 Agust 94

Thomas thes : 3 y<sup>e</sup> sonns of Thomas Tollman Juner wer nathaniell baptised y<sup>e</sup> same daye  
Timothy

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(Desier Haws  
born 9. 2. 94)

16 march 94  
Susanna of  
Tho. Williams)

(1. 11. 1694  
Waitstill wiat born)  
(27. may 1694  
William Cock born)

Thomas Robinson and his wife confesing ther sinne of fornicacon befor marige did both of them owne the covenant and he himself was Baptised and 3 of his children

[viz.] { Samuell } y<sup>e</sup> 19 day of Agust 94  
          { Rebecka }  
          { Abigall }

(8. 10<sup>m</sup> 94  
Eli. Elder born)

(9. 9. 94 born  
Steven & Grace Tilestone  
of oriseph)

(Mary Web born  
25. 9. 94)

(christopher Kelle  
25. 11. 1694)

William y<sup>e</sup> sonne of John Church was baptised (Rebecca, sometime Blackman)

y<sup>e</sup> 15 september. 94 his wife owning y<sup>e</sup> covenant that daye Abigall y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jhon peirce was Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 7 october 94

John y<sup>e</sup> sonne of John Browne Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 14 october 94

John y<sup>e</sup> sonne of preserved Capen was Baptised . y<sup>e</sup> 21 october : 94

David y<sup>e</sup> sone of David paten Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 2 december 94

Elizebeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Benjamin Blackman Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 16 day of december 94

Jakobe y<sup>e</sup> sone of John Paison Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 23 december 94

Ruthe y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Samuell paul was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 20 of January 95

hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of oliver wizzell baptised y<sup>e</sup> 13 . of January : 95

Sarah whitt owned y<sup>e</sup> covenant and was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 27 of January 95 the same day y<sup>e</sup> wife of Robert Cook owned y<sup>e</sup> covenant

Elizebeth y<sup>e</sup> daughter of James foster





Zeruiah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ebenezar davenport  
 Ickabud y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Ebenezar Joans wer baptised y<sup>e</sup> 17 of  
 february 94 5  
 william y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Robert cooke was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 24 february  
 94: 5

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(Recorded Hannah  
 in Town Book) Thomas y<sup>e</sup> sone and daughter of Thomas  
 hanah Euenes wer baptised y<sup>e</sup> 10 march: 95  
 hanah y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Joseph weeks baptised y<sup>e</sup> 7 Aprill 95.  
 Ruthe y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Ephraim pason baptised y<sup>e</sup> 14 Aprill 95  
 (21. 4. 95 David y<sup>e</sup> sonne & daughter of Israell how  
 Edward Payson Zeruiah being twins wer baptised y<sup>e</sup> 21  
 born of Sam.) April 95

Joseph y<sup>e</sup> sone Isacke Ryall baptised 19 maye 95  
 mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas euens baptised 26 maye 95  
 Samuell y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Samuell Toplife baptised y<sup>e</sup> 2 June 95  
 Elizeth Ryder granddaughter to goody Garn-  
 sey was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 9 of June she then owning  
 y<sup>e</sup> covenant 95

Ebenezar moadsly owning y<sup>e</sup> covenant y<sup>e</sup> same day  
 John y<sup>e</sup> sone of John Davenport baptised y<sup>e</sup> 16 June 95  
 Edward y<sup>e</sup> sone of Samuell pason baptised y<sup>e</sup> 23 June 95  
 Ebenezar y<sup>e</sup> sone of Ebenezar Moadsly baptised y<sup>e</sup> 30 of  
 June 95

Consider y<sup>e</sup> sone of Joseph leeds Juner baptised y<sup>e</sup> 7 July 95  
 (Ruth Jones thankfull y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Thomas moadly bap-  
 born 26. 8. 95) tised y<sup>e</sup> 28 July 95  
 mary maroh mokork entered Into covenant and was baptised  
 y<sup>e</sup> 28 July 95

Elizabethe y<sup>e</sup> wife of Joseph Angier entered into covenant  
 and was baptised and

(James Haws  
 wife Layd hold  
 on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant  
 Agust 5. 95  
 [p. 140]) Elizeth her daughter was also baptised y<sup>e</sup> 4  
 Agust 95  
 Desiere y<sup>e</sup> sone of Jeams haws was baptised y<sup>e</sup>  
 11 Agust 95

Thomas y<sup>e</sup> sone of Charles Davenport baptised y<sup>e</sup> 25 Agust 95  
 Susanna y<sup>e</sup> daughter of margarett gates was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 15  
 September 1695 shee being a member of cambridge church

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Baptismes. Anno 1695—Anno 1696 by reason of commun-  
 ion of churches ther being no minister In office ther all this  
 time



Robert y<sup>e</sup> sonne of Robert cooke was baptised y<sup>e</sup> 20 october 95

(Consider Leeds  
born 2 July. 95)

(Benj. Merrifeild 5. 9<sup>th</sup> 95 born.)

(25. 9. 95  
David Tolman  
born)

(35/6 feb. 10 Nath. Web born)

(8. 12. 95  
George Bird born)

(Margaret Houghton. 30. 4. 95)

(21. 12. 95/6 Ellis. Blake born)

Joshua Story y<sup>e</sup> Son of Joshua Story with David Tolman  
Son of Thomas Tolman Jun<sup>r</sup> were baptised October y<sup>e</sup> first  
day 1695

Mary y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Smith Woodward was baptised in Dor-  
chester December y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1695

Silence daughter of Joseph Hall (on his Wifes right) Bap-  
tised 22. 10 mo: 1695

Isaac & Children of Isaac Humphreys baptised 29. 10<sup>mo</sup>  
Katharine = 1695.—Twins :

Joseph Blackman Son of Jn<sup>o</sup> Blackman baptised January y<sup>e</sup>  
5 1695

Joseph Son of James Bird jun<sup>r</sup> baptised 16. 12. 1695

Anna Daughter of Samuel Capen jun<sup>r</sup> baptised March 3<sup>d</sup> 1696

Jonas Son of Hopestill Humfreys baptised March. 15. 1696.

(Meh. daughter  
of Jos. Blake  
23. 1. 96  
born)

Joseph Son of Joseph Hewens baptised. Aprill  
5<sup>th</sup> 1696

Ebenezar Son of Goodman Cock whose wife is  
daughter to sist<sup>r</sup> Pope baptised May 10<sup>th</sup> 1696.

Henry Son of Jos. Withington-as-also-Mary daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup>  
Peirse baptised. 31. [3]<sup>mo</sup>. 1696.

George Son of Thomas Lion baptised 7<sup>th</sup>. 4<sup>mo</sup>. 1696

Deborah daughter of Nath: Searles baptised y<sup>e</sup> same day

James Son of John Cock Grandchild of o<sup>r</sup> Sister y<sup>e</sup> widow  
Pope, baptised 18<sup>th</sup>. 4<sup>m</sup>. 1696. being a thanksgiv-  
ing day for y<sup>e</sup> Kings deliverance

John Son of Samuel Capen

Elisha Son of Standfast Foster } baptised 21. 4. 96.

Elizabeth daughter of Philip Withington baptized 28. 4. 96

(26. May 1. born  
George Monk)

Esther Jones daughter of Eben Jones 12. 5. 96

(of w<sup>m</sup> Royall)

Sarah daught<sup>r</sup> of Jonath: Hall } baptised  
Susannah daughter of widow Patten }

27. 7. 96

Steven Son of ) onesiphorus Tilestone baptised

Grace Daughter of ) = 11. 5<sup>m</sup>. 96.

(Enoch wis. al born. 19. march 97)

Joshua George — upgrown — baptised

Christian Pelton — upgrown —

Sarah Harding Daughter of her y<sup>e</sup> was Merrifeild } 18. 8. 96.

Seaven of Peter Okellys Children baptised 25. 8. 96. Mary

Margaret Mehetabell Susanna Henry Josiah Hephzibah



James Son of Obadiah Swift baptised 8. 9<sup>m</sup>. 96.

Samuel Danforth baptised 15. 9<sup>m</sup>. 1696.

Moses Billinge Son of Roger Billinge baptised 22. 9<sup>m</sup>. 96.

Salter Son of Robert Searl baptised 6. 10<sup>m</sup>. 96.

(4. 8<sup>m</sup>. 97 Sarah daught<sup>r</sup> of Samuel Trot baptised 27.

Mary Tolman }  
born of Thomas) 10<sup>m</sup>. 96

(Zebulun Web born }  
31. 8. 97 } Nehemiah

Prudence Hal } Sons of Dennis Maroh baptised 31.  
born. febr. 3. 98 } Dennis

(1. 1. 98 Richard } 11. 97.

Martha Merrifield } Alice Pope with

born) Eliz: Maudsly daughter of Eben<sup>r</sup>: Mosely.

## BIRTHS.

May. 12. 96 Kath. Williams born

March. 3. 96 Mary Robinson born

Hephziba 7 July 96 born

July 15. 96 Damaris Haws born

Sam Royal born 7. 6<sup>m</sup>. 96

Berl. Everenden 7. 6<sup>m</sup>. 96 born

Nov. 1. 96 James Swift born

27. 9. 96 born Abigail Puffer

Dec. 10. 96 Rebec. White born

Feb. 24. 96/7 Elis. Minot born

March. 21. 97 Margaret Augier born

21 May 97 Experience Brown born

24 May 97 born Roger & Desire Clap

14. 6. 97 Elis. Evans born

30. 11. 96/7 Hanah Billinge born

The account of ye Births was taken out of the Towne Register.

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Elijah Son of Robt Cook jun<sup>r</sup> baptised Aprill 11. 97

Mary Daughter of Samuel Payson Aprill 11. 97

Hephzibah Daughter of Eben: Davenport 18. 2. 97

Mary Daughter of Joseph Leeds Jun<sup>r</sup> Aprill 25. 97

Henry Son of Ephraim Payson baptised May 23. 97

Elizabeth Daughter of John Brown May 30. 97

Experience Daughter of Jos: Weeks June. 6. 97

Samuel Son of Tho: Maudsley Jun<sup>r</sup> Aug. 8. 97

Nehemiah Son of Ebenezer Jones Aug. 15. 97

Elizabeth & } Daught<sup>rs</sup> of John Blackman 19. 7. 97

Sarah }

Thomas Son of Thomas Evans baptised 26. 7. 97

Elizabeth Cocks, Sist<sup>r</sup> Popes Grandchild 26. 7. 97

William Son of John Bird Jun<sup>r</sup> Octob<sup>r</sup> 24. 97

Samuel Son of Jn<sup>o</sup>: Davenport Octob<sup>r</sup> 24: 97

Mary Daughter of Thomas Tollman Novemb<sup>r</sup>. 14. 97

Ralph Pope Son of Sister Pope Nov. 28. 97

Relief Daughter of Isaac Humfrys Nov. 28. 97

Susan Daught<sup>r</sup> of Benj. Blackman Nov. 28. 97

Deliverance Daughter of Smith Woodward Jan: 16. 98

Mary Daughter of Tho: Robinson March 6. 98

John Son of John Blake baptised April. 24. 98

Nathanael Son of Ebenezer Holmes May. 1. 98

Thomas Cocks Grandchild of Sister Pope 9. 3<sup>m</sup>. 98





Jemima Daughter of [John] Tollman jun. 9. May. 98  
 Benjamin Son of Joseph Hewens Jun<sup>r</sup> May 23. 98  
 Joseph Son of Joseph Bird baptised May 23<sup>d</sup>. 98  
 Sarah Daughter of Tho: Robinson May 23. 98  
 John Son of Rob<sup>t</sup> Pelton baptised June. 26. 98  
 Samuel Son of Samuel Capen Junior July 10. 98  
 Mary Daught<sup>r</sup> of James Bird Jun<sup>r</sup> Aug. 28. 98  
 Sarah, Daught<sup>r</sup> of John Pierce Sept. 4. 98  
 Eliz: Daught<sup>r</sup> of Samuel Capen Sen<sup>r</sup> Oct. 2. 98  
 Mary Daught<sup>r</sup> of Obadiah Haws Oct: 2. 98  
 Judith Daught<sup>r</sup> of Desire Clap Octob. 9. 98  
 Isaac Son of Jonathan Jones Octob<sup>r</sup>. 16. 98  
 Sarah Daughter of Obadiah Swift Octob<sup>r</sup>. 16: 98  
 Hannah Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> John Danferth 6. 9<sup>mo</sup>. 98  
 Sarah Daughter of Deacon Toppliff Nov. 6. 98  
 Samuel Son of Samuel Paule Baptiz<sup>d</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 13. 98  
 John Son of Robert Cook Baptised Nov<sup>r</sup>. 27. 98  
 Abiell Daughter of Deliverance Withington 27. 9<sup>m</sup>. 98  
 John Son of y<sup>e</sup> Late John Wiswall or Wisell Dec. 5. 98  
 Abigail Daughter of Philip Withington: 5. 10<sup>m</sup>. 98  
 James Son of James Foster Baptised. 11. 10<sup>m</sup>. 98  
 Samuel Son of Samuel Trot baptised 8. 11<sup>m</sup>. 98  
 Dorcas Daughter of Samuel Payson Jan<sup>ry</sup> 22: 98  
 Ebenezer Son of Oliver Wissell March. 5. 98  
 Mary Daughter of Ebenezer Rice Mar<sup>ch</sup> 5. 98/9  
 Hannah Daughter of John Blackman March 12. 98/9  
 Joseph Son of Jos. Blake baptised March 19. 98/9  
 Susannah Daughter of John Cocks Aprill 9<sup>th</sup>. 1699  
 John Son of Joseph Leeds Jun<sup>r</sup> baptised April 16, 1699  
 Thankfull Daughter of Joseph Weeks baptizd: April 23 1699  
 Timothy son of Timothy Tilestone baptised April. 30. 99  
 Mary Daughter of Samuel Clap junior baptised 30. 2. 99  
 Hannah Daughter of Thomas Lion baptised April. 30. 99  
 Lydia Daughter of Ebenezer Jones baptised June 11. 99  
 Elizabeth Daughter of John Minot baptised June 11. 99  
 Ephraim Son of John Davenport baptised Aug. 6. 99  
 Hannah Daughter of Sherebiah But baptised Aug. 20. 99  
 Jonathan Son of Ephraim Payson baptised y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>  
 mo. 99  
 Martha Daughter of Thomas Robinson baptised Sept. 10. 99  
 Silence Daughter of Thomas Maudsley baptised Sept. 24. 99  
 Richard Son of Nathanael Butt baptised Octob<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>th</sup>. 99  
 Elizabeth Daughter of Hopestill Humfreys baptiz'd 22. 8. 99



Ebenezer } — of Smith Woodward baptised Novemb<sup>r</sup>  
 (or Abigail) } 19. 99  
 Ebenezer son of Preserved Capen baptized January 14. 99:  
 1700  
 Sarah Daughter of Thomas Evans baptized Jan<sup>ry</sup>. 21. 99:  
 1700  
 Elizabeth Daughter illegitimate of Matthew Peimur and of  
 Mary Goodall, upon Her Moth<sup>rs</sup> Confession & Acceptance  
 baptiz'd January, 28. 99: 1700  
 Rebecca and  
 Deborah Daughters of Robt Searle baptizd. ffeb. 15. 99:  
 1700  
 Charles Son of Charles Davenport baptized Feb<sup>r</sup> 15. 1699:  
 1700  
 Thankfull Daughter of Ebenezer Davenport baptized, March.  
 10. 99: 1700  
 Nullaines a Negroe Ent'ring into Coven<sup>t</sup>, baptized March.  
 10. 99: 1700

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## Baptismes in Dorchester

Josiah Son of John Blake baptized 17 March  
 1699: 1700  
 Dorcas — Daughter of Samuel Payson Bpt 22.  
 11<sup>m</sup>. 98  
 George Son of Benjamin Blackman baptizd. 30.  
 1<sup>m</sup>. 1700  
 John Son of John Tollman baptized, April y<sup>e</sup>  
 7<sup>th</sup>. 1700  
 Rachel, Daughter of Ralph Pope baptized:  
 April. 21. 1700  
 Elizabeth Daughter of Edw<sup>d</sup>. Breck baptizd.  
 May 4. 1700  
 Hannah Trott 10. 8.  
 99 Jane Daughter of Robert Cook baptized May  
 4. 1700  
 Martha Daughter of Eliz<sup>r</sup>. Morrice of Boston  
 baptized May 12, 1700  
 Samuel Son of Samuel Clap, baptized June 2<sup>d</sup>:  
 1700  
 Ebenezer Son of John Blackman baptized, June  
 9<sup>th</sup>. 1700  
 Abigail Woodward Jerusha Daughter of John Bird, baptized, June  
 16<sup>th</sup>. 1700  
 Jacob Son of Isaac Humfrys, baptised, July  
 14. 1700



James or Joseph Son of John Browne baptized  
August 4<sup>th</sup>. 1700

Joseph Son of John Cox baptized August 4<sup>th</sup>.  
1700

Increase Blake 8.  
4. 99

Mary Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> John Danforth baptiz'd.  
11. 6<sup>m</sup>. 1700

Mehetabel Daughter of m<sup>r</sup>. John Danforth bap-  
tized 11. 6. 1700

Abiel of John Dean of Tanton. Baptised.  
8. 7<sup>m</sup>. 1700

Hannah Bartlet an Upgrown Person Baptised.  
22. 7<sup>m</sup>. 1700

Hesther Puffer born  
29. 3. 95.

Mary Daughter of Standfast Foster baptised.  
10. 9<sup>m</sup>. 1700

(She dyed y<sup>e</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of March following)

John Son of Benjamin Cheyney baptisd. on  
Thanksg<sup>t</sup>: 21. 9<sup>m</sup>. 1700

Mary Daughter of Nathan Bradly jun<sup>r</sup>. baptised  
8. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1700

Timothy (or John) Son of Robert Pelton, Bap-  
tised. 15. 10. 1700

Jonathan wiat 27.  
12<sup>m</sup>. 99.

Elisabeth Daughter of Ebenezer Sumn<sup>r</sup> Bap-  
tised. 22. 10. 1700

Miriam Daughter of James Bird jun. Baptised.  
5. 11. 1700

Francis Price Baptised Owing the Covenant  
12. January 1700.

Zippory Daughter of Joseph Blake baptised 12.  
11<sup>m</sup>: 1700/1.

Anne Daughter of John Pearse baptised 19.  
11<sup>m</sup>. 1700//1

Edw. Skelton 25. 8.  
98. born

John son of Timothy Tilestone baptised 2. 12<sup>m</sup>: —  
1700/1

John Son of Samuel Capen jun<sup>r</sup> baptised 15.  
1<sup>m</sup>: 1700/1701

Thomas Son of Thomas Tilestone baptised 2. 1.  
1700/1701

Joseph Son of Joseph Hewens baptised the 20<sup>th</sup>  
of April. 1701

Elisabeth Daughter of Humfrey Atherton bap-  
tised. 20: 2. 1701

mary But march. 3.  
93 99 born

John Son of John Maudsley baptised the 10<sup>th</sup>  
of May. 1701

Thomas Son of Thomas Lion baptised the 25<sup>th</sup>  
of May 1701



Rebecca Daughter of Thomas Maudsley baptised 25. 3. 1701

John Son of John Minot baptised y<sup>e</sup> first of June 1701

William son of Tho:  
Williams born 26. 8.  
98.

Silence Daughter of Ebenezer Jones baptised June y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1701 & dyed [...]

John Son of Samuel Clap baptised June 29<sup>th</sup> 1701

Elisabeth of James Hawes baptised June 29<sup>th</sup> 1701

Joseph Son of Joseph Hall baptised July y<sup>e</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 1701

Elisabeth Daught<sup>r</sup> of Thomas Robinson baptised June y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1701

Ralf Smith 30. 10.  
1708

(it died since its baptism)

Susanna of Obadiah Swift baptised July 20

Joseph Son of John Davenport baptised Sept. 7. 1701.

—— Son of John Brown Baptised. 14. Sept. 1701.

Joseph Son of Joseph Weeks baptised 19: 8 mo: 1701.

Jerusha Daughter of Ralph Pope baptised [...]

Barbara Jones 29.  
11. 1708

Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Homes baptised 20. 9. 1701 being Thanksgiving day

George Son of Samuel Payson baptised Dec: 14. 1701.

Mary Daughter of Robert Searles. Dec. 21. 1701. baptised

Jonathan Son of Samuel Wales Dec. 28. 1701. baptised.

Martha Hall 11<sup>m</sup>. 98  
Benj. wiat 12<sup>m</sup>. 98

Samuel Son of John Blackman Jan. 25. 1701/2 baptised

Benjamin Jordan

Jonathan Chandler

Huldah Chandler

Hannah Alcock

Hannah Weeks

Margaret Lord

Mary Jinkins

Jonathan Dire natural son of Abig.

Ball baptised

Comfort Bird son of Joseph Bird

baptised

Upgrown, having laid hold on } febr. 8.  
y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup> were } 1701/2.  
baptised on }

Aug. 4. 98 born A  
[...]: Billenge [of.]  
Roger.

} 8. 12 1701<sup>1</sup>





- Oct. 3. 98 John Puf-  
fer born Hopestill Son of Lt. James Foster baptised  
february 15<sup>th</sup>. 170<sup>1</sup>  
Israel Hill Baptised on the twenty Second of  
February 170<sup>1</sup>:  
Hezekiah Maroh baptised 1. 1. 1702.  
Samuel Bishop Son of James Bishop Datus  
post Preces Dei Gratia Baptised 15. 1. 170<sup>1</sup>  
Jemima Daughter of Benj Blackman, 15. 1<sup>m</sup> 170<sup>1</sup>  
John Son of Smith Woodward baptised 29. 1.  
1702  
Nov. 23<sup>d</sup>. 98 John  
Cook born Mary Daughter of John Preston baptised 29. 1.  
1702.  
Mary Daughter of Edward Breck bapt<sup>d</sup>. 12, 2,  
1702.  
Jonathan Son of Jonathan Hall baptised 24. 3.  
1702  
Silence Daughter of Sherebia But baptised 31.  
3<sup>mo</sup> 1702  
Oliver Son of Oliver Wiswall baptised y<sup>e</sup> 7,  
4<sup>m</sup> 1702  
25 march 98 Abigail  
White born Hopestill Son of Joseph Leeds jun<sup>r</sup> baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 14. 4<sup>m</sup>. 1702  
Sarah Daughter of Jonathan Jones baptised  
14. 4<sup>m</sup>. 1702  
Elisabeth Daughter of Thomas Robinson bap-  
tised y<sup>e</sup> 21 or 28. 4<sup>m</sup>. 1702  
Stoughton Danforth Son of m<sup>r</sup> John Danforth  
baptised 26. 5. 1702.  
(Elizabeth)  
10 April 98 Nathaniel  
Homes born Sarah Daughter of Ebenezer Maudsley baptised  
26. 5. 1702.  
Elisabeth Long laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant & was  
baptised at this Time.  
Barbara Daughter of Eb<sup>r</sup>. Jones baptised. 9.  
6<sup>mo</sup>. 1702  
Hannah Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Clap baptised. 16.  
6. 1702.  
(she died in a fortnight or lesse.)  
Jan<sup>r</sup>. 97. Elkaña Bil-  
lings born Sarah Daughter of Philip Withington baptised  
23. 6. 1702.  
Rachel Daughter of Nathanael Glover Jun<sup>r</sup>  
baptised 23. 6. 1702  
Jerusha Daughter of John Tolman jun<sup>r</sup> baptised  
30. 6. 1702



Thomas Son of Thomas Maudsley jun<sup>r</sup>, baptised 13. 7. 1702

Sarah, Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> But, baptised 13. 7. 1702.

24. 4. 98 John Pelton  
born

Ebenezer Son of James Barber baptised. 1. 9<sup>m</sup>. 1702.

Samuel Son of John Pierce baptised. 1. 9<sup>m</sup>. 1702.

Hannah Daughter of John Maudsley 8 [ . . . . ]

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#### Baptised

Henry son of Increase Leadbetter 6. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1702.

Sarah Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Tilestone. 13. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1702.

Hannah Daughter of Samuel Wales 17<sup>e</sup>. 11<sup>m</sup>. 1702<sup>3</sup>

[ . . . . . ] 8. 10.  
99. born Hannah Daughter of Timothy Tilestone 14.  
12<sup>m</sup>. 1702<sup>3</sup>

y<sup>e</sup> wife of (young) Everenden 21. 1<sup>m</sup>. }

y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Walter Everenden 21. 1<sup>m</sup>. } 1702<sup>3</sup>

y<sup>e</sup> child of young Everinden 21. 1<sup>m</sup>. }

[ . . . ] Damon 10,  
11. 99 born Daughter of 21. 1<sup>m</sup> }

Submit Daughter of John Coxo baptised 28. 1<sup>m</sup>. 1703.

Rachel Daughter of Jabez Searle baptised 2, 1703.

[ . . . ] Damon 10. 4.  
99 born Anne Daughter of Preserved Capen baptised 16. 3<sup>m</sup>. 1703.

Abigail Daughter of Thomas Evans baptised, 6. 4<sup>m</sup>. 1703.

Rachel Pope 8. 10.  
99 born Sarah Daughter of Thomas Trott baptised. 20. 4. 1703.

Silence Daughter of Smith Woodw<sup>d</sup> baptised. 20. 4. 1703.

Abigail Billinge 15.  
12 1700 James Son of James Bird Jun<sup>r</sup>. baptised 27. 4. 1703

Susanna Daughter of Ephraim Payson 4. 5<sup>m</sup>. 1703

Elisabeth Daughter of Jonathan Hall 8. 6<sup>m</sup>. 1703

Samuel Maudsley 7  
4. 1700 Elisabeth of Nath But. baptised 15. 6. 1703

Purchase Son of Samuel Capen baptised 22. 6. 1703

Henry Son of Henry Lion baptised 5. 7<sup>m</sup>. 1703.

Benjamin Son of Benj. Cheyney — 6. 1703

Sarah W[orth] [ . . . ]  
23. 3. 1700 born John Son of John Preston baptised 12. 7. 1703



- Isaac Son of Samuel Paul baptised 12. 7. 1703  
 Thomas Son of Isaac How Jun<sup>r</sup> baptised 19. 7. 1703.  
 Elisha Son of Ebenezer Davenport baptiz<sup>d</sup>: 3. 8<sup>m</sup>. 1703  
 Consider Son of Ebenezer Jones baptised. 7. 7. 1703  
 John Son of John Maxfield baptised. 7. 7. 1703  
 George Son of John Minot baptised. 7. 7. 1703  
 Steven Son of John Davenport the 12. 8. 1703  
 Timothy Son of Robert Pelton baptized 5. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1703  
 Jane Daughter of Obadiah Swift baptised y<sup>e</sup> 19. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1703  
 John Son of Samuel Clap baptised, 23. 11. 1703  
 Martha Daughter of Ebenezer Williams. 23. 11. 1703  
 Matthew Son of Matthew Peimur. 5. 1<sup>m</sup>. 1703<sup>1</sup>  
 Phillip Son of Samuel Payson. 12. 1<sup>m</sup>. 1703<sup>1</sup>  
 (Mary of Charles Davenport. 20. 1. 1704)  
 Hannah Daughter of Joseph Hewens 9. 2. 1704  
 Ebenezer Son of Ammiel Weeks 23. 2. 1704  
 Nathanael Son of Nath<sup>n</sup> Glover Bapt. 7. 3. 1704  
 [Torn off.] of John Stiles 8. 3. 1704  
 [ do. ] of Thomas Robinson 3. 1704  
 Anna or Hannah Daughter of Nath Lion 21. 3. 1704  
 James Son of John Robinson baptised 21. 3. 1704  
 Hannah Daughter of John Stiles 21. 3. 1704  
 Anna Daughter of Nathaniel Lion.  
 Experience Daughter of Jos. Birch, decd. baptised 18. 4<sup>m</sup>.  
 Hesther Daughter of [Jonathan Chandler] 18. 4. 1704  
 Benjamin Son of Jos. Angier baptised 25. 4. 1704  
 Hephziba Daughter of Benj. Blackman 25. 4. 1704  
 Gurnet Price Son of Francis Price Supra — 23. 2. 1704  
 Thankfull Daughter of Lt. James Foster — 16. 5. 1704  
 Deborah Daughter of Benjamin Cheyney 16. 5. 1704  
 Ruth Jones of Jonathan Jones baptized 4. 7. 1704
- Waitstill & Patience  
 Bishop 6. 6. 1700
- Sam. Tompson June  
 15. 1700 born
- Mary Foster 31. 8.  
 1700 born
- Mary Brady 2 . . . .
- John Felton 9. 10.  
 1700
- Rebecca Foster 24.  
 7. 1700
- Hannah Woodward  
 5. 10. 1700
- Tho: Trot: 28: 10:  
 1700 born
- Thankf. Redman 14.  
 2 17[00]





Mary Lewis 1. 2.  
1701 born

Mary Daughter of Edward Clap baptised 20. 6.  
1704

Renew Daughter of John Blackman 27. 6<sup>m</sup>. 1704

Sarah Clap Daughter of Jonathan Clap 17. 4<sup>m</sup>.

Eben. Webb. 13. 2.  
1701 born

1704

Ichabod Son of Oliver Wiswal 20. 7. 1704

George Son of m<sup>r</sup>. John Danforth baptised D. G.

Nov. 12. 1704

Hannah Danson 1. 2.  
1701 born

Mary Daughter of Ebenezer Paul baptised 12.

9<sup>n</sup>. 1704.

Hesther Daughter of Jabez Searle baptised 19.

9<sup>n</sup>. 1704

Mary Butt. 18. 2.  
1701 born

Mary Daughter of Jonathan Chandler. 3. 10. 1704

Mary Daughter of Isaac How Junior. 3. 10. 1704

Elis. Billings 11. 4.  
1701 born

Submit Daughter of Smith Woodward 10. 10.

1704

Pelatiah Son of Joseph Hall baptised 7. 11<sup>m</sup>. 1705<sup>4</sup>

Anne Daughter of John Pearse baptised 28. 11.

Jos. Angier. 20. 4.  
1701 born

1705<sup>4</sup>

Samuel Son of John Browne baptised 11. 12<sup>m</sup>.

1705<sup>4</sup>

Zechary Merrifield.  
26. 4. 1701

Anne Daughter of Philip Withington 4. 1. 1705<sup>4</sup>

Richard Son of Jonathan Hall baptised 11.

1<sup>m</sup> march 1705<sup>4</sup>

Thomas Trot 25. 7.  
1701

Rebecca Daughter of James Bird jun<sup>r</sup>. 1. 2<sup>m</sup>.

1705.

Benjamin Son of John Cocks baptised 1. 2<sup>m</sup>. 1705.

Patience Daughter of Joseph Bird baptised 8.

John Everenden 4.  
5. 1701

2. 1705.

Anne Daughter of Joseph Blake Supra 11. 1.

1705.

James Son of James Haws Supra 11. 1. 1705.

Susanna Daughter of John Tolman jun<sup>r</sup> 6. 3.

Zech. Waldo. 25. 9.  
1701

1705.

Thomas Son of Matthew Piemur baptised —

3. 1705.

Susan daughter of Thos. Maudsley 17. 4. 1705.

Ruth Kenny baptised the 8<sup>th</sup> of July 1705.

Daughter of Phillip  
Britton 19. 10. 1701  
born

Anne Daughter of Timothy Moseman 1. 5<sup>m</sup>. 1705

Robert Son of Robert Searle, 8. 5<sup>m</sup>. 1705

Samuel Son of John Maxfield 8. 5<sup>m</sup>. 1705

Christian Monk May  
10 1702

Mary Daughter of Nath. Leeds 28. 5<sup>m</sup>. 1705

Elizabeth Daughter of Tim. Tilestone 15. 5. 1705

Hannah Daughter of Ensign Breck 19. 6. 1705



Mary Price 13. 4.  
[...]

Jemima Daughter of Nath. But bapt. 19. 6. 1705  
Mehitabel Daughter Jn<sup>n</sup> Davenport 26. 6. 1705  
Susan Daughter of Samuel Trot baptised 16.  
7. 1705

Miriam Puffer. 14.  
[... ] 1702

Abigail Daughter of Sherebiah But bapt<sup>d</sup>. 16.  
7. 1705  
Abigail Daughter of John Preston bapt. 16. 7.  
1705

Ruth Blake 20. 10.  
1702 born

[Eben]ezer Son of Ebenezer Clap baptised 7.  
8. 1705

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Nathan Bradly 2.  
11. 1702/3 born

(Jos. Son of Samuel Clap bapt 6. 8. 1705)  
Thomas Son of Thomas Robinson baptised 30.  
7. 1705

John Lewis 18. 11.  
1702/3 born

Aquila Son of Samuel Tolman baptised 21. 8.  
1705

Josh. Damon. 17. 2.  
1703 born

Sarah Daughter of Irijah Wales baptised 11. 9.  
1705

Jane Brown. 28. 1.  
1703 born

Jonathan Son of Jonathan Clap baptised y<sup>e</sup> 9.  
10. 1705

Isaac Bellinge. 9.  
5<sup>m</sup>. 1703 born

Mary Daughter of John Minot Baptised y<sup>e</sup> 30.  
10. 1705

Abigail Damon. 8.  
8. 1705 born

Elisabeth Daughter of Smith Woodward baptised 13. 11. 170<sup>5</sup><sub>8</sub>

Ebenezer Jones.  
10<sup>m</sup>. 1705 born

Sarah Daughter of James Trott baptised y<sup>e</sup> 13.  
11. 170<sup>5</sup><sub>8</sub>

Katharine Web 20.  
7. 1703 born

Joseph Son of John Stiles baptised on the 20.  
11. 170<sup>5</sup><sub>8</sub>

Consider Jones 7.  
9<sup>m</sup>. 1703 born

Eleanor Daughter of Eben : Jones baptised the  
11. 12. 170<sup>5</sup><sub>8</sub>

Jemima Pope 13. 9<sup>m</sup>.  
1703 born

Elisabeth Daughter of Samuel Paison baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 6. 11. 170<sup>5</sup><sub>8</sub>

(as I suppose)

Son of Sam. Butt  
20. 10. 1703 born

Mary Daughter of Capt: Thomas Tilestone  
Bapt. 16. 10. 1705

Sarah of John  
Mosely 31. 10. 1703  
born

Susan Daughter of James Bird Baptised Supra  
6. 11. 1705

Ralf Pope 10. 9.  
1705 born

Mary Daughter of John Brown Baptised Supra  
3. 4. 1705

Edward y<sup>e</sup> son of Ew<sup>d</sup> Foster Baptised the 7. 2.  
1706

Phebe y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Joseph Andrews baptised  
y<sup>e</sup> 7. 2. 1706



- Bernard Capen. 5.  
12. 1705 born Mindwel daughter of Abiel Bird baptised y<sup>e</sup> 5.  
3<sup>m</sup>. 1706.
- [Alisse] Tolman 8.  
3<sup>m</sup>. 1704 born Mary Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup>. Leeds. 28. 5, 1706.  
Sarah Daughter of Increase Leadbett<sup>r</sup>. 4. 6.  
1706.
- Freelove Monk 2. 3.  
1704 born Rachel Daughter of Nath: Glov<sup>r</sup>: 4. 6. 1706  
Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Lawrence — Bapt:  
15. 6. 1706.
- Ruth Puffer 11. 1.  
1704 born Prudence y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Nath: Leeds. Bapt:  
15. 6. 1706.  
Sarah Daughter of Increase Leadbetter Bap-  
tised — 6. 1706.
- John Trot. 7. 4.  
1704 born Abigail Daughter of Jabez Searle Bapt.— 7.  
1706.  
John the Son of Serj: Sam. Clap Bapt. 22. 7.  
1706
- John Stanton 12. 6.  
1704 born Samuel Son of Samuel Tolman Bapt<sup>d</sup>. 29. 7.  
1706
- Tho. Shepard 24. 1.  
1706 born Priscilla Daughter of Obadiah Swift Bapt<sup>d</sup>. 6.  
8<sup>m</sup>. 1706
- Hannah Chandler 4.  
7. 1706 born Jerusha Daughter of Eben<sup>r</sup> Billinge. Bapt<sup>d</sup>. 13.  
8. 1706
- Tho. Stanton 19. 6.  
1706 born Elisabeth Daughter of Henry Tolman. 13. 8.  
1706  
Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Davenport 27. 8. 1706  
Patience Daughter of William Trescot 27. 8.  
1706
- John Shepard 25. 12.  
1703/4 born Mehetabel Daughter of Sam Bird 15. 10. 1706  
Thankfull Daughter of Hopestil Capen 5. 11.  
1707
- Jerusha Merrifield r.  
[11]. 1704/5 born Samuel Son of Smith Woodward 12. 11<sup>m</sup>. 1707<sup>6</sup>  
Benjamin Son of Benjamin Cheyney &  
Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Paul were baptised  
on y<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> of febr: 1707<sup>6</sup>  
Clark Son of John Maudsly. 16. 12<sup>m</sup>  
{ Hopestil Son of Jonathan Hall 23 }  
March  
{ Jeremiah Son of Joseph Blake 23 } 1707<sup>6</sup>  
March  
{ John Son of John Robinson — 23 }  
March
- James Bishop. 30. 1.  
1705. born Zebadiah Son of Ebenezer Williams 23 March  
1707<sup>6</sup>
- Josiah Marsh 10<sup>m</sup>.  
1705 born John ye Son of John Pierce baptised 6. 2<sup>m</sup>. 1707  
Samuel Son of Oliver Wiswal — 13. 2. 1707



- Submit Daughter of [Isaac How 13. 2. 1707]  
 Priscilla Daughter of Joseph Hall Bapt. 20 [2. 1707]
- Susan Pelton 3. 7.  
 1706 born At Meadford { Edward Son of }  
 Baptised by or { Thomas Hall } 27. 2. 1707  
 Katharine Bird 1<sup>th</sup>. Pastor { Benjamin Son of } in Medford.  
 1705 born { Benj. Pearse. }
- Richard Son of Thomas Evans baptised May 4. 1707
- James Haws 11. 2.  
 1705 born Humfry Son of Humfry Atherton June 8. 1707  
 William Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Robinson baptised June 29. 1707
- Susan Tolman 13. 2.  
 1705 born Mary Daughter of Benj: Blackman bap July 6. 1707  
 Deliverance Daughter of Jos: Weeks July 20. 1707
- Ebenez. Lewis 29. 9.  
 1705 born Mary Daughter of Eben: Maudsly July 20. 1707  
 Mary Daughter of James Haws. Aug. 24. 1707  
 Hopestill N<sup>l</sup> Son of Ri: Withington Sept. 7. 1707
- Walter Hixon 15. 4.  
 1705, born James Son of James Trott. Sept. 28. 1707  
 Tobias Negro — Baptised: Oct. 12. 1707  
 Joseph Negro — Baptised Oct. 12. 1707  
 Ruth Fenno. 30. 3.  
 1705 born Benjamin Son of Sergeant Sam<sup>l</sup> Clap. Oct. 19. 1707
- Eliz Bailly 14. 10.  
 1689 born Peter Son of Francis Price. Oct. 19. 1707  
 Mary Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Trott Nov<sup>r</sup>: 9. 1707  
 Steven Son of Richard Hawes Nov. 9. 1707  
 Hannah Daughter of Eb: Paul: Nov. 30. 1707  
 Tobie (m<sup>r</sup> Paysons Negro) — Nov. 30. 1707  
 Hagar (m<sup>r</sup> Capens Negresse) — Nov. 30, 1707
- Edw Bailly 14. 3.  
 1690 born James Son of James Bishop Dec. 7. 1707  
 Samuel Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Tolman Dec. 21. 1707  
 Anne Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Payson Jan. 18. 170<sup>8</sup>  
 John Son of Ralf Pope — Jan. 18. 170<sup>8</sup>
- Jerusha Billeng 7. 6.  
 1705 born Mary Daughter of John Brown. Feb. 1. 170<sup>8</sup>  
 Cornelius Son of Tim<sup>r</sup>. Tilestone. Feb. 8. 170<sup>8</sup>  
 Elisabeth Daughter of Jos. Andrews, Feb. 22. 170<sup>8</sup>
- Ruth Bradly 29. 4.  
 1705 born Mary Daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Minot. March. 14. 170<sup>8</sup>  
 Ebenezer Son of James Bird March 14. 170<sup>8</sup>  
 Benj. Son of John Stiles. March. 21.  
 Sherebia Son of Sher: Butt. May 23. 1708  
 Preserved Son of Nicho: Williams May 23. 1708





Mary Wentworth  
29. 6. 1705. 50

Mary Daughter of Irijah Wales. June 6. 1708  
Margaret Daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Preston July. 4. 1708  
Waitstill daughter of Incr: Leadbett<sup>r</sup> Octob.  
3. 1708

The Trot 13. 7. [...]  
Sam. & Mercy M.  
[....] 10. 7<sup>m</sup>. 1705.

Josiah Son of Hezek: Maroh. Oct. 3. 1708  
Sarah Daughter of Hez. Maroh. Oct. 3. 1708  
Ebenez<sup>r</sup> Son of Jacob Hewen oct. 10. 1708

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## Baptised in Dorchester

Baptised at Brain-  
tre by the Pastor  
of Dorchester Nov.  
28. 1708, Mary  
Daughter of L<sup>d</sup>.  
Cleverly & Melitta-  
bel Daughter of  
Peter Adams.

Caleb Son of Capt: Tho<sup>s</sup> Tilestone Dec. 26,  
1708

Thomas Son of John Andrews January 30,  
1708

Edward Son of Edward Breck Feb. 27, 1708

Henry Son of Henry Tolman

John Son of Edward White } febr. 27. 1708

Mary Daughter of Josh. Sevars }

Hannah Daughter of Nath.

Glover

Susannah Daughter of Jabez } March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1708

Searles

Samuel Son of Jonathan

Chandler

Timothy Son of Edward Foster April. 17, 1709

May 22. 1709. Admitted to full Communion  
with the Church M<sup>r</sup> John Devotion Richard  
Withingtons Wife Patience Foster & Sarah  
Corie

April 23 Major  
Lalles Dyed.

June 5 1709 158  
soldiers at our  
meeting.

June 19 Six com-  
panies of Soldiers  
were quartered  
wro<sup>t</sup> 2 Companies  
are Indian Soldiers

Aug. 6. old m<sup>rs</sup>  
Shepherds funeral.

Jos. Trescot taken  
to Comunion Aug.

Ro. Searles Sent  
taken to Comunion  
21. 6. 1709.

## Baptized

Sept. 15 Publick  
Fast.

Hannah daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup>. Baker June 12. 1709

John Son of Jn<sup>o</sup> Bird Jun<sup>r</sup> June 26, 1709

Sarah daughter of Mathias Evans July 3, 1709

Sarah daughter of Jos. Blake July 17, 1709

Abigail daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Maudsly July 31. 1709

Oct. 27 John  
[Fitch] born

William son of W<sup>m</sup> Trescot Aug. 14. 1709

Amity daughter of James Haws Aug. 14, 1709

Mary daughter of John Stiles Aug. 14, 1709

John Son of John Bird Aug. 28, 1709

Unice daughter of James Bird Sept. 4, 1709

Sarah daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Tolman Sept. 4, 1709

Alice daughter of Th. Evans sen<sup>r</sup>. Sept. 25, 1709

Mary daughter of James Baker oct. 2, 1709

A Contr. for S.  
Capen jun. Jan. 20.



Aged Tho. Bird died. January	Hannah daughter of Jos. Andrews Oct. 2. 1709
	Thos. Son of Isaac How Oct. 16, 1709
Many fallen sh <sup>d</sup> on ye pound or [...]	Hannah daughter of John Pearse Oct. 23. 1709
	Francis Son of Fra. Price Oct. 23, 1709
	Jacob Son of Benj. Cheyney Oct. 1709
	Son of Smith Woodward Oct. 30, 1709
March 16 1710 Publ: Fast.	Margaret daughter of Tho. Maudsly Nov. 6, 1709
Mr Cotton Pastor of Easthampton died with pain in His head in 2 minutes.	Samuel Son of S. Leeds Nov. 20, 1709
	Jonas Son of Dan <sup>l</sup> Tolman Jan 22. 1709
	Mary Daughter of Irijah Wales March 5 [1709]
Contribution for [...] Morse of Dorchester Village abt. 9 <sup>th</sup> . Apr. 16.	Mary Daughter of Sam <sup>l</sup> Robinson March 26 [1710]
	Baptized Caleb Son of Jn <sup>o</sup> Bradley. April 2
April 30 taken to full Communion Elis. Woods.	Baptized John Son of Jn <sup>o</sup> Withington April 16
	Josiah Son of John Tolman April 23
	Preserved Son of John Preston April 23
	Anna Atherton Baptized. May. 7.
Preserved Capen laid hold on ye Covent. May 28.	Nathanael Son of Nath: Butt. May, 14
	Lemuel Son of Thomas Trot. May. 28.
June 4 m <sup>r</sup> . Devo- tion Dismissed to Southfield	Margaret daughter of Jn <sup>o</sup> Andrews. June. 11.
	Mary Daughter of Eben <sup>t</sup> . Williams June. 25.
	John Son of Ebenezer Clap. Aug. 6.
Publ. Fast June 15.	Elizabeth Daughter of Eben <sup>t</sup> . Paul. Aug. 27.
	Mary Daughter of Josh. Pomery Sept. 24.
Aug <sup>t</sup> . 10. Publ. Thanksgiving. Sept. 28. Publ. Fast.	A Son (William) of Isaac Royal Sept. 24
	Onesiphorus Son of Timothy Tilestone Oct. 8.
	Jacob Eliot Baptized — Oct. 15.
Isaac Royall Jun <sup>r</sup> laid hold on ye Covent. Sept.	Benjamin Son of Benj. Ball. Oct. 22.
	Henry Son of Matthias Evans. Oct. 22
	Sarah Daughter of Sam <sup>l</sup> Trot Nov. 5.
Jacob Eliot laid hold on ye Covenant. October. 15. 1710.	Sarah Daughter of Thomas Spur Nov. 5.
	Alexander. Son of Nath <sup>l</sup> Glover. Nov. 26.
	Priscilla Daughter of Sam <sup>l</sup> Tolman Nov. 26.
Oct. 22 Thos. Spur laid hold on ye Covent:	Hannah Daughter of Henry Tolman Dec. 10.
	Thankfull Daughter of Jos. Bird. Dec. 17.
	Hannah Daughter of Sam <sup>l</sup> Payson Jan <sup>ry</sup> 14.
Portroyal y <sup>t</sup> surren- dered to the Crown of Engl.	Patience Daughter of Sam <sup>l</sup> Henshaw Febr. 4
	Ruth Daughter of Sam <sup>l</sup> Hall Feb. 17
	Zebulon son of Benjamin Thayer bap- tised at Braintree Sept. 3. 1710
Nov. 16 Publ. Thanksgiving.	



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## Baptised

1711.  
March. 11 Humfry  
Atherton Confessed  
Drunkenns.  
Josh. Georges wife  
admd. to full Com-  
union

Apr. 1.  
Publ. Fast Apr. 12.  
Apr. 8. Ser<sup>m</sup> Putts  
wife admitted to  
Comunion

Increase Leadbetter's  
wife taken to Com<sup>b</sup>.  
May 20.

May 23 Mr Niles  
ordained at Braintry  
Dorch. Chh. mes-  
sengers assisting.

May 27 Mrs Breck  
taken to Comunion

Oct. 2 Fire at Boston  
Oct. 11. Fast

Mr E. Danforth very  
sick Oct. 30.

Publ. Thanksgiving  
Nov. 29.

January 27 Eb. Top-  
lif admitted to Com-  
union.

Sarah D. of Saml  
Bird born July 1711.

Saml Son of Isaac  
How born July 22.

Nathl Son of Jonath.  
Clap born July 27.

Mary Daughter of  
John Maxfield born

July 31.

Mary Daughter of  
Edw<sup>d</sup> Foster born

Aug. 13.

Mary Daughter of  
James Trot born

Sept. 20.

Preserved Son of  
Presd Capen born

Nov. 2.

Abigail D. of Tho.  
Maudsley born

Nov. 20.

Elisabeth D. of John Minot March. 4.  
Zebulon Son of Tho: Pearse March. 18.

(born March 14. 1711)

Susanna Daughter of Edw: Breck April 1.

Elijah Son of Ralph Pope — April. 8.

John Son of John Baker April. 8.

Sarah Daughter of Ed<sup>d</sup>: White. May 6.

Abigail D. of Jonath. Chandler. May. 6.

Charity Daughter of W<sup>m</sup>. Trescot. May. 27.

Supply Child of Saml Clap. June. 3.

Sarah Daughter of Jabez Searle. June. 17.

Baptized David Son of Jos. Hall. July. 8.

Mary Daughter of Tim. Foster. Aug. 18.

Nathanael Son of James Bird Oct. 21.

Mary-Anne Daughter of Robt. Gutheridge  
Oct. 21.

Hannah Daughter of Eb: Maudsley Nov. 4.

Preserved Son of Preserved Capen: Nov. 4.

Elisabeth Daughter of Josh. George: Nov. 25.

Sarah Daughter of Josh Pomerv Febr 24

Mary Daughter of John Andrews Apr. 13.

Phinehaz Son of Francis Price. Apr. 20.

Mary Daughter of . . . . Key. Apr. 20.

Desire Son of Saml Tolman. Apr. 27.

Baptized at Dorch Village by our Pastor

Amity daughter of m<sup>r</sup> Jos. Morse May. 4.

Eliphalet } sons of Benj. Blackman May. 4  
Benjamin }

James Son of James Haws May. 4

Ithamer Son of — Eastie May. 4

Susanna } daughters of Ro: Pelton May. 4  
Hephziba }

Zebia son of . . . . Billinge May. 4

Abigail daughter of John Withington May. 4

John son of — Wentworth May. 4

Joshua Son of John Bradley. May. 11

Abigail daughter of Th. Maudsly May. 18

Nathan son of Nathan Bradley May. 18

Ruth daughter of Nathan Bradly May. 18

1712  
March. 1. John  
Bradly admitted to





Comunion  
 march. 9 Old mrs  
 Sanders an Exct—  
 Woman Dyed at  
 meeting at Braintry.  
 Mary Pimur ad-  
 mitted to full Com-  
 union June 1.  
 May 25 Content  
 Mason upon her con-  
 fession absolved from  
 Excommunication.  
 May 31 Aged mrs  
 Wiswell deceased.  
 And Aged m<sup>r</sup> Trot  
 2 days before.  
 June 1. John Brown  
 and Mary Homes  
 admitted to Comu-  
 ion.  
 June 28 Aged mrs  
 Tileston buried.  
 Sept. 14. m<sup>r</sup> white  
 admitted to full  
 Communion.  
 Nov. 20. Mr Thayer  
 ordained Pastor of  
 ye 2d Chh. Roxbury  
 The Pastor & mes-  
 sengers of Dorchester  
 Chh assisted.  
 January 23 m<sup>r</sup> S.  
 Wales buried.

Lidia daughter of Nathan Bradly May. 18  
 Samuel Son of Nathan Bradly May. 18  
 John daughter of Nathan Bradly May. 18  
 Abigail Daughter of Sm<sup>th</sup>. Woodward June. 1.  
 Samuel son of W<sup>m</sup> Trescot. June. 29.  
 Eben<sup>r</sup> Son of Mr. Eben<sup>r</sup> White. Sept. 14  
 Eleanor Wife of Comfort Foster. Nov. 2  
 Elizabeth daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup>. Spur Nov. 2  
 Daniel son of Daniel Tolman Nov. 2  
 Joseph son of Comfort Foster Nov. 2  
 Ebenezer son of Joseph Blake Nov. 16  
 Margaret daughter of Ed<sup>d</sup>. Breck Nov. 23  
 Samuel Son of Irijah Wales. Nov. 23  
 Edward son of Edward White. Dec. 7.  
 Mchetael Daughter of Benj. Bail Dec. 21  
 Mary Daughter of Benj. Cheyny Dec. 28  
 Nathanael Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Clap — Jan<sup>y</sup>. 25  
 Elijah Son of John Tolman Feb. 8  
 Mary Daughter of Josh. Severs Feb. 22

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1713  
 The Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Hobart  
 of Newtown de-  
 ceased June 22.  
 Aged M<sup>r</sup>s Foster  
 did.

Jos. Ward laid hold  
 on ye Covent June 23  
 Jos. Topoff laid  
 hold on ye Covent.  
 July

July 5. Sarah Weeks  
 by vote of the Chh.  
 admonished for for-  
 nication And a Let-  
 ter written to Her  
 containing it.

July 25 Contributed  
 for J. Brown about  
 6lb

John Cocks & His  
 wife laid hold on ye  
 Covent Aug. 9

Eben. Jones jun<sup>r</sup>  
 His wife laid hold  
 on ye Covent Aug.  
 Sept. 20 John Son  
 of Roger Badger  
 taken to Communion

Sept. 20. Mary Trot  
 passed from this Chh.  
 to fessed Forication.

Sept. 30 Aged &  
 Hon<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup>s Rock  
 daughter to Mr Will-  
 son Pastor of Boston  
 & formerly Consort  
 to Mr Danforth  
 Pastor of Rocksb  
 deceased. Aged 80.

David Son of James Trot, May 17  
 James Son of John Baker, May 31  
 Hannah Daughter of Ralph Pope June 14  
 Thomas } ——— of Tho<sup>s</sup> Trot June 28  
 Zebiah }  
 Mary daughter of Jos Ward June 28  
 Thomas Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Clap ——— July 5  
 Solomon Son of Jos. Hall Aug. 2  
 Matthias Son of Matthias Evans Aug. 2.  
 Jerusha Daughter of Tim: Foster Aug. 16.  
 James Son of John Cocks Sept. 13  
 Nehemiah Son of Bernard Capen Sept. 20  
 Ruth Daughter of Henry Tolman Sept. 20  
 Preserved son of James Baker Sept. 27  
 Mary Daughter of Eb Jones jun<sup>r</sup> Oct. 11

At Dorchester Village baptised by the Pas-  
 tor of Dorchester

Sion Son of m<sup>r</sup> Jos. Morse Oct. 20  
 Thomas Son of Thos Jordan Oct. 20  
 Olive } daughters of Thos Jordan Oct. 20  
 Esther }



Jane Pitcher & slave  
Jordan laid hold on  
ye Covenant Oct 20  
at ye Village

The wife of our  
Schoolmaster Mr  
White admitted to  
Communion Nov. 8.  
Thanksgiving Nov.  
12.  
Nov. 19 Aged Mr  
White buried.  
Jan 14 Public Fast.

1714  
March  
John Humfrys laid  
hold on ye Covenant  
on April. 4.  
Abiel Bakers wife  
laid hold on ye  
Covenant: April. 11.  
April 16. Aged mrs  
Withington died. 35  
yr old  
Susanna Williams  
laid hold on ye  
Covenant. May. 2.  
May 13. dismissed  
to Milton The wife  
of Tho: Tolman  
Jun.  
Publ. fast May. 13  
May 28. widow Hall  
died being sick but  
an hour or 2  
June 11th Dr Smith  
died.  
June 6. Nathaniel  
Son of Elder Topliff  
admitted to full  
Communion.

Sept. 2. Publ. Fast,  
because of the  
Drought. July 5<sup>th</sup>  
Drought  
No Rain untill Sept  
22<sup>th</sup> at night Saving  
a Shower on ye Lords  
day Evening preced-  
ing ye Fast at Dor-  
chester which was  
on July 20. <sup>th</sup> save on  
Aug<sup>st</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> & once or  
twice a small sprin-  
kling Yet a good har-  
vest of Indian Corn

Oct. 18. mr Danforth  
died in Suriname.

Johanna Trescot  
daughter to Thomas  
Lion admitted to full  
Communion Nov. 21.  
Nov. 25 Publ.  
Thanksgiving.  
Capt. Thelstone &  
His Wife & Edward  
Foster admitted to  
full Communion feb. 20  
John Lee laid hold  
on ye Covenant feb.  
20

Sarah daughter of Ben: Eastie Oct. 20  
Mary Daughter of Daniel Stone Oct. 20  
Christian Daughter of Ro. Pelton Oct. 20

Eliakim }  
Abijah } Children of Edw: Pitcher Oct. 20  
Jane }

Samuel Son of Joseph Topliff Oct. 20

Mary Daughter of the wife of Israel Leadbet-  
ter Nov. 1

Mary Daughter of Nath. Glover Nov. 15.

Abigail Daughter of Comfort Foster Jan<sup>ry</sup> 14

1714.

Jonathan Son of Jon<sup>th</sup>: Chandler Bap<sup>d</sup> March. 7.

Ambrose Son of Jabez Scale March 14

Samuel Son of Samuel Jones March 14

Mary Daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Andrews. March 28

Susanna Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Hall March 28

Hannah Daughter of John Humfry April 4

Judith Daughter of Thomas Pearse April. 25

John Son of Humfrey Atherton May 16.

Sarah Daughter of Jonath: Clap. May. 16

Sarah Daughter of Eben<sup>r</sup> Paul. May 16.

Nathanael Son of John Stiles. June 6

Samuel the Son of <sup>who</sup> }  
married Sam<sup>l</sup> Jones Daughter } June. 13.

Mary Daughter of Pres<sup>d</sup> Capen baptised July. 11.

Abigail Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> Eben<sup>r</sup> White. Sept. 5.

Ebenezer Son of Abiel Baker Oct. 14.

Elizabeth Daughter of Elis. Puffer Oct. 14.

Thomas Son of Thomas Spur. Oct. 31.

Jonathan Son of Nathan Bradly. Oct. 31.

Mather Son of Ebenezer Withington Nov<sup>r</sup>. 14.

Jane Daughter of Francis Price Nov<sup>r</sup>. 21.

Ebenezer Son of John Bradly Dec<sup>r</sup>. 19.

Samuel Son of Ralph Morgan Dec<sup>r</sup>. 19.

Thankfull Daughter of Jos. Ward Dec<sup>r</sup>. 19.

Patience Daughter of Edw White Dec<sup>r</sup>. 26

Ebenezer Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Jones jun<sup>r</sup>. Jan<sup>ry</sup> 23.

Joseph Son of Joseph Trescot Jan<sup>ry</sup> 30.

John Lee baptized Febr. 20.

Margaret Daughter of John Lee Feb. 20.



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1715

Baptized.

1715  
March. 6. Nath.  
Etheridge laid hold  
on ye Covenant  
March 31. Publ.  
Fast.

May 15. Edward  
Fosters Wife ad-  
mitted to full Com-  
union.

Wm Withington &  
Sarah wife of Tho:  
Pearse admit ted to  
full Communion June.  
26.

Abiel George & His  
wife & a sabbath or  
two afore viz on

Sept 11. Mary King  
made Confession of  
fornication.

James Blake Junr  
laid hold on ye  
Covent Confessing

Fornication oct 23  
1716.

Thos Davenport &  
His wife Confessed  
fornication Sept. 25.

Abiel George laid  
hold on ye Covenant  
Oct. 2

Oct. 9 The Pastor of  
Dorchester baptized  
Ten Children at

Dorchester Village  
Called Punkawoz.  
Oct. 30 Contritioned

for Mrs L. rd. 9  
pounds 10 shill.  
January. 8. Daniel

Ellens Confession  
was Read in Pub-  
lick & accepted &

He was released  
from Excommuni-  
cation inflicted on Him

abt 37 yr ago.  
Abigail Wife of

Samuel Withington  
taken into full  
Communion Feb. 5.

1716. 1 D s. h. . .  
March. 22. Publick  
Fast.

April, 15. Ebenezer  
Dunton laid hold on  
ye Covenant

Mercy Bird admitted  
to full Communion.  
April 30. The

Church voted their  
messengers to sit in  
Council at Scituate

May 3.

May 23 Mr. Wm  
Cooper ordained at  
Boston, the mes-

sengers from Dor-  
chester Assisting.  
July. 8. John Wales  
& His wife peni-

Irijah Son of Irijah Wales. April. 10.

Thankfull daughter of Jos. Andrews May. 30.

Isaac Son of Isaac How. June 19.

John Son of John Baker. July 3

Mary Daughter of Hopestil Capen July. 3.

Josiah Son of John Cocks July. 3.

Mary Daughter of Aaron Bird, July. 3.

Jonathan Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Topliff, July. 17.

Mary Daughter of Josiah Hobs. July 17.

John Son of Richard Hawes. July 31

John Son of John Humfrys. Aug. 13.

Nicholas Son of Eben Lawrance Aug. 27.

Mary Daughter of Eben Lawrance Aug. 27.

Thankfull Daughter of Tho Evans jun. Aug. 27.

Elizabeth Daughter of James Trot. Sep. 18

Joseph Son of Ebenezer Clap. Oct. 16.

Priscilla Daughter of John Tolman Oct. 16.

Lazarus Son of Ralph Pope Nov. 6.

Nathanael Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Maudsly. Dec. 4.

Samuel Son of Josh. Severs. Dec. 18.

Ruth Daughter of Eb: Williams Febr. 12.

Jane Daughter of Henry Tolman Febr. 12.

Ruth Daughter of Edw: Foster Febr. 19.

Peter Son of Thomas Blakeman Febr. 19.

1716.

Baptized

John Son of John Andrews. March. 11

Dorcas Daughter of James Humfry March. 11.

Pelathiah Son of Lieutenant Glover April. 8.

Ebenezer Son of Daniel Tolman. April. 8.

Ebenezer Son of Preserved Capen. April. 15.

Elisha Son of Capt. Tho: Tilestone. April. 22.

Rebecca Daughter of Eb. Dunton April. 22.

Jane Daughter of James Haws. April. 29.



tently confessed  
fornication before  
marriage.

July. 15. young  
widow Leeds ad-  
mitted to full Com-  
union with ye  
Church.

Aug. 23. Publick  
Thanksgiving.

Josiah Hobs and  
Rebecca wife of

Thomas mosely  
admitted to full

Comm: oct. 7. &  
mary, wife of

Charles King laid  
hold on ye Covent

oct. 7.

Oct. 11. m<sup>r</sup> Hem-  
enway had His Leg  
cut off.

Oct. 17. m<sup>r</sup> White  
was Ordained at

Atleborough mes-  
sengers from Dorch<sup>r</sup>

Church Assisted.

Oct 24. Fast at  
Dorch<sup>r</sup> many being  
sick.

Oct. 21. Humfry  
Atherton Con-  
fessed Drunkenesse.

Nov. 4 Contrib. for  
Daniel Stone

Charles Davenport  
jun<sup>r</sup> & His wife

laid hold on ye  
Covent Nov. 18. &

william Cocks  
Nov. 25.

Dec. 6. Publick  
Thanksgiving

William Steven  
Mary & Sarah

Pillinges laid hold  
on the Covent.

Jan. 6. Isaac How  
& wife taken to full

Comm

feb. 24 Snow in  
Drifts 25 foot deep.

In ye woodes a yard  
generally on ye

level.

Mercy Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Trot. April. 29.

John Son of Samuel Tolman. April. 29.

Jabez & Thankfull Children of Jabez Searles.

May. 27.

Hannah Daughter of Josh : Pomery June 3.

Ebenezer Son of Benj. Ball June 3.

Henry Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Jones June. 24

Samuel Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Hall June 24

John Son of Jonath : Chandler July. 29.

Elisabeth Daughter of S. Leeds. Aug. 23.

Sarah Daughter of John Preston Aug: 23.

Elisabeth Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Bird. Sept. 23.

Relief Daughter of Incr<sup>r</sup>. Leadbetter Oct. 21.

James Son of James Blake Oct. 28.

Thomas Son of Monsieur Richards Oct. 28.

The Pastor of Dorch<sup>r</sup> did baptize at Hingham,

Norton the Son of Major Quincey Nov. 4.

Unite Son of Tho. Maudsly Nov. 11.

Theodore Son of Jos. Eastie Nov. 11. --

Mary Daughter of Ch. Davenport Nov. 18.

Samuel Son of W<sup>m</sup> Cocks. Dec. 2.

Relief daughter of Matt. Evans Jan. 13.

Abijah Son of Edward White (deceased) Jan.

27

Daniel Son of Sam. Henshaw Jan. 27

John Son of Ralph Morgan Jan. 27

Consider Son of Humfry Atherton feb. 17.

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1717

Baptized

1717  
John Wales laid  
head on ye Covent

June 2.

June 9. Thomas  
Glover taken to full

Communion.

June 16 Steven Bil-  
linge admitted to

full Communion.

June 25. At or Vil-  
age one Bayly &  
three Wentworths

&c laid hold on ye

Thankfull D<sup>r</sup>. of Eb : Withington March. 10

Meletiah Daughter of Nathan Bradly March. 17.

Joseph Son of Isaac How — March. 31.

Baptized Son of John Bradly April. 14.





Covenant & were  
baptized & ten  
were examined &  
approved for full  
Comm by the Pas-  
tor of Dorcht with  
ye Revd m<sup>r</sup> Thacher  
& 10 Childr. bap-  
tized by m<sup>r</sup> Thacher  
there.

Hannah Dr of Jno  
Blake admitted to  
full Com. July 28  
July. 11. Publ. Fast-  
ing & Prayer for  
Rain  
Contribn for  
Charis King.  
July 15 a mercifull  
Rain 2 Days  
Aug. 15 in our Vil-  
lage 70 Sick.  
Sep. 1. Eb. Will-  
iams Senior admon-  
ished for drunken-  
Oct. 13 Ephr.  
Tucker laid hold on  
the Covenant.  
Jan<sup>y</sup> 5 John Blake  
chosen Deacon. &  
ordained feb. 16  
Feb. 27. Publ. Fast.  
March. 2. Deacon  
John Blake was  
deceased.

William Son of Joshua George May. 5.

Son of John Baker June. 2.

Ruth Daughter of John Wales June. 2.

Mary Daughter of Eb. Lawrance Aug. 11.

Deborah Daughter of Francis Price Oct. 6.

Joshua Son of Ephr. Tucker Oct. 13.

Johanna Daughter of Aaron Bird. Oct. 13.

Johanna Daughter of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Tileston Jan<sup>y</sup>. 5.

Mary Daughter of Henry Tolman Jan<sup>y</sup>. 5.

Mary Daughter of

Baptized Tabitha Cocks — Jan. 19.

Patience Daughter of John Tolman Feb. 9.

Noah Son of Jonathan Clap. Febr. 9.

Susanna Daughter of Pres. Capen Feb. 9.

Zobia Ward baptised — Feb. 9.

Thomas Son of John Andrews Feb. 16.

Thankfull Daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup>. Humfry feb. 23.

In about three moneths have deceased of full Communicants in the Chh of Dorchester besides Deacon Blake these; viz  
Capt. Ebenezer Billinge Esq Capt. Roger Billinge, m<sup>r</sup> Desire Clap. M<sup>r</sup> Ebenezer Williams Sen<sup>r</sup>. & His wife, M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Leeds, m<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Hall The widow m<sup>rs</sup> Robinson, & the wife of m<sup>r</sup>. John Glover.

1718

Wait Daughter of James Blake jun<sup>r</sup> March. 9.

Martha Da<sup>r</sup>. of John Brown April. 6

Silence Daughter of Eb<sup>r</sup> Maudsly April. 13

Ephraim Son of Eph. Paison jun<sup>r</sup> April. 20

Sarah Daughter of Charls Richards Apr. 27.

Anne Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Trot. May. 11.

Hannah Daughter of Eb<sup>r</sup>. Paul May 25

Priscilla Daughter of Eb<sup>r</sup>. Paul May 25

Samuel Son of Sherebia But June 1.

Mary Daughter of Sherebiah But June 1:

Ebenezer Son of Ralf Pope. June 1:

Ebenezer Son of Charls King. June 8.

James Son of James Jenkyns July 6.

Samuel Son of Eben<sup>r</sup>. Lawrance July. 13.

Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> Almy baptized Aug. 10.

(At Tiverton)

1718  
Wm Dentson Esq.  
died March 22 agd  
54.  
Ephr. Payson laid  
hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>  
April. 20.  
June 1. m<sup>r</sup> Jenkyns  
laid hold on the  
Covenant.  
June 11 m<sup>r</sup> Elent  
Gay ordained Pas-  
tor at Hingham the  
messengers of  
Dorch assisting.  
Aug. 17 En<sup>s</sup>.  
Th<sup>o</sup> mas Wiswell  
owned y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>.  
Sept. 14 Contrib-  
uted for Jos.  
Angier.  
Dec. 11 Publick



Thanksgiving.  
Upon ye [ . . . ]  
from ye Gen. Court.  
for propagating  
ye Gospel  
Contributed here  
Nine pound, 2d.  
January 4 Tabitha  
Cocks admitted to  
full Communion.  
Jan. 11. Lieutenant  
Clap refused the  
Deacons ship.  
Feb: 1. Jonathan  
Clap Chosen Dea-  
con & ordained  
on March. 1.

Sarah Daughter of Thos Wiswell Aug. 17.  
George Son of Jabez Searles. Aug. 24  
Comfort Son of Comfort Foster — Aug. 31  
Eleanor Daughter of Comfort Foster Aug. 31  
John Son of John Webb — Aug. 31  
Elizabeth daughter of Eb<sup>r</sup> Clap. Sep. 7.  
Ebenez<sup>r</sup> Son of Tho<sup>s</sup> Blakeman. Sep. 21  
Jane Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Evans Sept. 21  
Hephzibah daught<sup>r</sup> of Josias Hobs Oct. 5  
Elisabeth daughter of Joshua Severs Oct. 26  
Mary daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Topliff. Nov. 16.  
Josiah son of Isaac How Dec. 21.  
Mary daughter of John Lee. Feb. 1.  
Alexander Son of John Bradly Feb. 15.

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1719.  
March 22 Contrib-  
uted for Mr Morse  
April. 12. Hannah  
Clap adm<sup>d</sup> to full  
Comm.  
Jos. Blake & His  
wif. & Rush Paul  
confessed fornication.  
The wife of James  
Swift laid hold on ye  
Covt:  
Sept. 27. 1719 Ebn.  
Maudsly Jun. & His  
wife laid hold on ye  
Covent.  
Oct. 4. Benj. Bird  
& His wife admitted  
to full Communion.  
Jacob Son of Benj.  
Cheyney Born May  
24. 1719  
Isaac Son of Henry  
Bird born May 15  
James Son of James  
Swift born June 21.  
Nehemiah of John  
Stiles b. July 2.  
Benjamin of Tim-  
othy Tillstone  
July 19.  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Son of John  
Preston b. Aug. 19.  
Wm Son of Sam<sup>l</sup>  
Tollman Aug. 12  
Desire Son of Enbr.  
Payson born July 31  
& died at same place.  
Ebent Son of Ebent<sup>r</sup>  
Topliff born  
John Son of John  
Cox born Aug. 3.  
Elisabeth daughter  
of Ebenez<sup>r</sup> & Elis-  
abeth Maudsly  
Oct. 17.

1719  
Steven Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Jones jun<sup>r</sup> — March. 1  
Susannah daughter of Joshua George March. 1  
Susannah daughter of W<sup>m</sup> Cocks March. 1  
Ebenez<sup>r</sup> Son of Richard Withington March. 15  
Anna daughter of Ralph Morgan May. 30.  
Deacon Jonathan Clap was ordained a Deacon  
March. 1. 1718/1719.

Jane a Child of Charles King baptised Sept. 20

Mary Daughter of Jos. Trescot — feb. 14  
Thomas Son of Ens. Tho<sup>s</sup> Wiswell feb. 21  
John Son of John Wales — feb. 21  
Elisabeth daughter of Irijah Wales feb. 21  
Miriam daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Glover feb. 21.

1720  
Ebenez<sup>r</sup> Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Dunton march 2

Mary daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Bird April. 3  
Samuel Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Withington April. 17  
David Son of Preserved Capen April 10  
(born April. 3. 1720.)  
Ephraim Son of Ephraim Tucker July 17 1720



Mehetabel of Robt.  
 Field Sept. 15  
 Ens. of Jonath:  
 Chandler born  
 May. 14.  
 Elisabeth Daughter  
 of Jos. Bass born  
 Nov. 15  
 Jerusha D. of Henry  
 Tolman born Nov.  
 17, 1719.  
 Susan D. of Timo-  
 thy How born  
 July 12, 1719.  
 1720  
 March 27 Tho.  
 Bird laid hold on  
 the Covenant.  
 April 3. Hannah  
 Wiswell owned y<sup>e</sup>  
 Covenant.  
 April. 3. Contrib-  
 uted for John Pres-  
 ton 9<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
 Aug. 15. 1720 Eliz-  
 abeth Daughter of  
 Capt. Wm Lowder  
 & mrs Elisabeth  
 Lowder His wife,  
 Daughter to m<sup>r</sup>  
 John Danforth.  
 born.  
 Abigail Daughter of  
 Tho. Spur born  
 April. 8. 1720  
 Benj. Son of Francis  
 Price born. April. 12.  
 1720.  
 David Son of  
 Nathan Bradley born  
 May. 25, 1720.  
 Mary Daughter of  
 Josh. George born  
 July 22. 1720.  
 Silence Daughter of  
 Matthias Evans  
 born, Aug. 7. 1720.  
 Anne Daughter of  
 Israel Leadbetter  
 born, Aug. 16. 1720.  
 Ephraim Son of  
 Ephr. Tucker born,  
 July 17, 1720.  
 Hannah Daughter  
 of John Wiswell  
 born May. 4. 1720.  
 Sarah Daughter of  
 Col. Taler born,  
 born Oct. 26. 1720.  
 Thomas Son of  
 James Blake born,  
 July 25 1720  
 David Son of  
 Jonath. Clap born,  
 Nov. 11. 1720.  
 Sarah Daughter of  
 John Andrews born  
 Feb. 14. 1720.  
 Ezzai Son of John  
 Baker born May 14.  
 1720.  
 Joseph Son of  
 Aaron Bird born  
 Oct. 11. 1720  
 Susannah Daughter  
 of James Swift  
 born March. 6.  
 Alexandr Son of  
 Alexander Soper  
 born July 31, 1720.





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1721	Baptized
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May. 28 Father Evans admitted to full Comunion

Abiel son of Abiel Withington Jan<sup>y</sup>. 17<sup>20</sup>/<sub>21</sub>  
Susannah daughter of James Swift March. 19.

1721  
Ebenezer Son of Ralph Morgan April. 9. 1721  
Thomas Son of Ebenezer Jones jun<sup>r</sup> April.  
23. 1721

July 2 Rush Cook  
laid hold on ye  
Covenant.

Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Basse May. 7.  
1721

July 9. Hannah Rawson admitted to full Communion.

Hopestill Son of Samuel Tolman may 14. 1721  
Margaret Daughter of John Preston May 21.  
1721

Daniel Son of Daniel Preston. May 21. 1721  
of Joseph Andrews May 28. 1721

October. 4 m<sup>r</sup>  
Perkins ordained  
at Bridgewater  
Messengers from  
Dorch: Chh assist-  
ing.

Dorcas daughter of John Cocks June 25. 1721  
Ruth Cook daughter of July. 2<sup>d</sup>. 1721  
Thomas Son of Jonath : Kelton July. 9. 1721  
Thaddeus Son of m<sup>r</sup> Maccarty July 30. 1721  
Grindal Son of m<sup>r</sup> Peletiah Rawson July 30.  
1721

Aug. Eb. Maudsley  
jun. admitted to full  
Comunion  
Nov. Robt Royal  
laid hold on the  
Covent

Elizabeth Daughter of Benj. Bird July 30. 1721  
Mary Daughter of Comfort Foster July 30.  
1721  
Mary Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Blakeman Aug: 27.  
1721

William Son of L<sup>t</sup> Joshua Sever Sept. 3. 1721  
 Hopestill Son of John Bradley Sept. 3. 1721  
 William Son of William Cocks Sept. 3. 1721

Dec. 6. a fast in  
Dorch bec<sup>s</sup> of  
Small Pox

Elizabeth Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> Marion Sept. 24. 1721  
Ruth Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> James Blake Sept. 24.  
1721

Capt. Spur & His wife Joined in full Comunion Oct. 11. 1721  
Abigail Daughter of Jos: Trescot Octob<sup>r</sup> 22.  
1721

Elizabeth Daughter of Goo: Glen Octob<sup>r</sup> 24.  
1721

Sarah Daughter of Isaac Humfry Jun<sup>r</sup>: oct.  
29. 1721

June 6: 1722 Mrs.  
Danforth died,  
Aged 59.

Joseph Son of m<sup>r</sup> Turin of Boston Nov. 5. 1721  
Anne Daughter of Capt: Robert Spur: Nov.  
10. 1721



Increase Son of Increase Leadbett' Dec. 3. 1721  
 Mary Daughter of Joseph Snelling Dec. 3. 1721  
 Moses Son of Timothy How December. 17. 1721

Mary Preston confessed y<sup>e</sup> sin of fornication

John Son of Capt. William Lowder & of Elizabeth His Wife Daught<sup>r</sup> of m<sup>r</sup> Danforth He was born y<sup>e</sup> tuesday before at 11: A.M. } January 14 Anno 17<sup>21</sup>

John Son of Matthias Evans Jan<sup>y</sup> 28. 17<sup>21</sup>

Thomas Bridge, Son of m<sup>r</sup> Gray of Boston Feb. 4. 17<sup>21</sup>

Grandson of the late Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Thomas Bridge Benj. Son of Jonath: Chandler. Feb. 11. 17<sup>21</sup>

Ephraim Son of Eph<sup>m</sup> Tucker Febr. 11. 17<sup>21</sup>  
 of Henry Tolman Feb. 11. 17<sup>21</sup>

Ebr Wisw & Wife made Confession of transgression before marriage Sept. 9.

Thomas Son of the Reverend Mr. Thomas Prince of Boston March. 11. 17<sup>21</sup>

Abigail Daughter of m<sup>r</sup> John Wiswell. March 11. 17<sup>21</sup>

Sarah Daughter of Isaac How May. 27. 1722  
 Mary Daughter of Alexander Soper baptised July 21. 1722

Joseph Son of Joseph Ward baptised Aug.<sup>r</sup> 26. 1722

Nov. 12. A Council to sit at Norton. of Elders & Deacons Chosen Oct. 21.

Benjamin Son of Joseph Ward Aug<sup>st</sup>. 26. 1722  
 Daughter of Ed. Foster Sept. 9. 1722

John Son of Charles King Sept: 9. 1722

Thomas Son of Thomas Bird Sept. 16. 1722

Ebenezer Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Wiswell Sept. 16. 1722

Ebenezer Wiswell Laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant Sept. 16

Mary Billinge Dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Chh. at Milton Sept. 16

Publ. Thanksgiving to be Nov. 8. 1722 if God please.

Elis. Sutton made Confession of fornic. & was propounded to lay hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant. Sept. 30. 1722

Thomas Son of Benjamin Bird baptized. Oct. 7. 1722

(It dyed being about a month old.)

Baptized

Anthony Son of Elis. Sutton. She laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant at y<sup>e</sup> same time Oct. 28. 1722

Oct. 14. 1722 Elder Topliff buried: Aged 77. He had

M<sup>r</sup> Daniel William & m<sup>r</sup> John Foster Jun<sup>r</sup> Joined in full Communion Oct. 28. 1722.



been 9 years Deacon  
& 21 years Ruling  
Elder.

Eliz. Woods is Pastorally recommended to  
Join to y<sup>e</sup> Chh. at Dighton oct. 28.

Her name now is Eliz: Crocker.

Baptized

Samuel Son of John Andrews Nov. 4. 1722

Baptized mary daughter of Eben<sup>r</sup>. Cocks Nov.  
11. 1722

Baptized Priscilla daughter of J. Foster

& Josiah son of S. Capen

& daughter of Jonath. Capen

Baptized Mary daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Wiswell Dec.

23. 1722

Baptized Sarah daughter of Eph. Payson Jan.

6. 17<sup>22</sup>

Eph. Payson Jun<sup>r</sup> propounded for full Communion  
Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>

Josiah Son of Nathan Bradly Jan. 13. 17<sup>22</sup>

Elisabeth daughter of Samuel Tolman Jan<sup>ry</sup>. 20.

Jonathan Son of Irijah Wales Jan. 27. 1722/3.

Jonath<sup>n</sup>: Capen  
& y<sup>e</sup> wife owned y<sup>e</sup>  
Covenant y<sup>e</sup> same  
day & Sam Capen  
Jun & y<sup>e</sup> wife  
shewd Repentance  
for y<sup>t</sup> fornication  
before marriage.

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1723.

Baptised

March 3 Consider  
Leeds Laid hold on  
y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

June 9. 1723. John  
Trescot jun<sup>r</sup> laid

hold on y<sup>e</sup> Cove<sup>n</sup>t.

John Foster & His  
wife admt<sup>d</sup> to full

Communion

John Trescot jun<sup>r</sup>

laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Cove<sup>n</sup>t

nant 9. 4 m. 1723.

M<sup>m</sup>. His wife died in Childbirth before she  
could lay hold on y<sup>e</sup> Cove<sup>n</sup>t, She being pro-  
pounded to y<sup>e</sup> Chh for it.

March 3. 17<sup>23</sup>. Sarah daughter of Consider  
Leeds, baptized.

John Foster & His wife admitted to full Com<sup>m</sup>.

Eph. Payson Jun<sup>r</sup>. admitted.

Elis. Maudsly admitted April 7.

April. 7. 1723. Lemuel Son of Capt. Spur &  
Susannah Daughter of Charles Davenport.

May. 26. 1723. Thomas son of James Blake,  
baptized.

June. 23. Silence Daughter of J. Trescot bap-  
tized

July 21. 1723 James Son of John Cock & John  
Son of John Maudsley baptized.

Aug. 18. 1723. Hephzibah Daughter of Thomas  
Cocks baptized.

Sept. 29. 1723. Unite Son of william Cocks  
baptized.

Oct. 5, 1723 Joseph Son of Jos. Basse baptized.

Nov. 17, 1723 Samuel Son of S. Paul jun<sup>r</sup> bap-  
tized.

Jan. 19. John [Bar-  
ber] & Sam<sup>l</sup> Hamfray  
& Elis. His wife  
laid hold on y<sup>e</sup>  
Cove<sup>n</sup>t  
Jan. 30 Lt. Sam<sup>l</sup>  
Clap died

Febr. 4. 1723/24.  
John Capen son of  
John Capen & Elis.  
Maudsley admitted  
to full communion.



Feb. 9 James Blake  
Jonathan Clap Ruth  
Capen Hannah  
Maudsley admitted to  
full Communion.  
Capt Wiswel  
Elected an Elder  
Honestill Clap  
Nathl Topliff  
Chosen Deacons

March. 22. Capt.  
wiswel Refused:  
Deacon Clap &  
Topliff accepted.

March. 26. Publ.  
Fast.  
Apr. 5. 1724 Eliz.  
Wait formerly Eliz.  
Weeks made peni-  
tent Confession of  
fornication before  
marriage.  
Eliz. Cocks formerly  
Blackman laid hold  
on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

May 3 Deacon  
Honestill Clap &  
N Topliff ordained.  
Mrs. Hannah Dun-  
forth & mrs Bath-  
sheba Lion Ad-  
mitted to full Com-  
union.

May 6. ordination  
of mr. S. Dexter at  
Dedham.  
mr Leveret presid.  
buried.  
Josiah Hobs dis-  
missed to y<sup>e</sup> old  
north Chh in Bos-  
ton. May 17, 1724.  
Margaret George  
dismissed to y<sup>e</sup> Chh  
at Attleborough.

Dec. 8. 1723. Solomon Son of Jonathan Kelton  
bapt<sup>d</sup>.

Dec. 15, 1723. Margerite daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup>  
Topliff bapt<sup>d</sup>.

Dec. 29. 1723. Elkanah Son of Jn<sup>o</sup>. Wales bap-  
tized.

In March 1723 Charles Davenport & His wife  
laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

July 21. 1723. Jos. & Elis. Cocks & Eben<sup>r</sup> Dear  
confessed fornication & manifested repentance  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Cocks & Enoch Wiswell & His wife laid  
hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covent

26. 7. 1703. [1723?] Deacon Clap went with the  
Pastor to assist at y<sup>e</sup> Ordination of y<sup>e</sup> R<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup>  
James Bayley at Waymouth, being Sent by y<sup>e</sup>  
Chh. of Dorchester

Nov. 17. 1723 Sam<sup>l</sup> Paul jun: & His wife laid  
hold on y<sup>e</sup> Coven<sup>t</sup>

Nov. 10. 1723. Abigail Trescot & Mary Kelton  
Joined in full Com<sup>u</sup>n

Nov. 17 supradicto. Humfrey Heman Joined  
in full Com<sup>u</sup>nion

The same day was Deacon Blake Chosen Rul-  
ing Elder but Declaryed His Nonacceptance of  
y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> office Dec. 29.

Dec. 29. 1723 Mary Preston laid hold on y<sup>e</sup>  
Covenant.

Jan. [14.] Fast at Dorchester.

January 12. 1723/24. Baptized

Mercy daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Trot.

Jan<sup>y</sup>. 19. 1724 John [Barber] was baptized and  
Margaret daughter of Ralph Morgan and Mary  
daughter of Mary Preston.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 26. James Son of Jos. Bird baptized.

Joseph Son of Richard Withington feb. 2. 1724

Jonah Son of Jonas Humfry. feb. 2. 1724

Hezekiah son of James Barber feb. 9. 1724 laid  
hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant.

Baptized Alexander son of Alexand<sup>r</sup> Soper feb.  
16. 1723.

Obadiah son of James Swift march 15.

Mary Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Humfry march 15.

Baptized Eben<sup>r</sup>. Son of Eb<sup>r</sup>. Maudsley Jun<sup>r</sup>  
march 22.





- May 24. Esther Ranstead Confessed fornication  
 John Woodward & His wife laid hold on ye Covent 7. 4 m.  
 Baptized Ruth daughter of John Capen march 1723; 24.  
 March 15. 1723. Admitted to full Comunion  
 Jonas Humfry Robt. Preston Ruth Cook.  
 Samuel son of Benj. Bird. march 29, 1724  
 Increase son of Incr.<sup>s</sup> Leadbette April 12  
 Joseph Son of Jos. Trescot April 12  
 Anne Daughter of John Wiswel Apr. 12. 1724  
 Thankfull Daughter of Wil. Withington : April. 19.  
 Mary Daughter of Eben<sup>r</sup> Wiswell. April. 19.  
 Isaac Son of Isaac Humfry May. 3  
 Nabbe or Abigail Daughter of Jos. Cocks May. 3.  
 William Son of Charles King May. 17. 1724.  
 John Son of Capt. Ro : Spur June. 7. 1724.  
 Elijah Son of Pres<sup>d</sup> Capen June. 7. 1724  
 Nath<sup>l</sup>. Son of John Woodward June. 7. 1724  
 Robert Son of Samuel Capen June 14. 1724  
 Jonathan Son of Jonathan Capen 26 July 1724  
 Isaiah Son of Joseph Leeds July 26. 1724  
 Elizabeth daughter of Esther Ranstead alias  
 Esther Chandler Aug. 9. 1724.  
 George Son of John Baker Aug. 16. 1724  
 Anne Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Bird Aug. 16. 1724  
 Elisabeth Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Cocks Aug. 16. 1724  
 Jacob Son of Henry Bird Aug. 23. 1724  
 Remember Son of Daniel Preston Aug. 23. 1724  
 Mary daughter of Nath Holmes. Aug. 23, 1724  
 Enoch Son of Enoch Wiswell. Aug. 30, 1724  
 Clark Son of John Maudsley Sep. 20. 1724.  
 John Son of John Trescot baptized Sept. 27.  
 (Elis. Wait laid hold on ye Coven<sup>t</sup> & Her Children Elis: Ruth Abigail baptized. Sept. 27. 1724.)  
 William Son of John Glover Sept. 27. 1724  
 Sam<sup>l</sup> Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Bishop Sept [- - -]
1724.  
 Mary wife of Tho<sup>s</sup>  
 Bird admitted to full  
 Com. June 14. 1724.  
 Mary wife of Josias  
 Blackman Laid hold  
 on ye Covent. June  
 14. 1724.
- Sarah wife of John  
 Wiswel admitted to  
 full Comunion July  
 26, 1724
- Esther Ransted laid  
 hold on ye Covent  
 Aug. 9. 1724.
- Aug. 16 a Letter  
 from Chatham from  
 m<sup>r</sup> Godfree & m<sup>r</sup>  
 [maystend]; but ye  
 Chh would not send  
 Messengers so far.  
 Sarah Maudsley full  
 Comun  
 Sam<sup>l</sup> Bishop & His  
 wife Nath Holmes  
 laid hold on ye Coven<sup>t</sup>.

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M<sup>m</sup> Before y<sup>e</sup> last Comencemt m<sup>r</sup> Leveret Presid<sup>t</sup> of Harvard  
 Colledge died Suddenly & very lately in y<sup>e</sup> End of Sept.  
 1724 Govern<sup>r</sup> Saltonstall died Suddenly — Men of bright  
 accomplishm<sup>ts</sup>.



## 1724 Baptised.

Nov. 8 Sam<sup>l</sup> Capen  
& Deborah His wife  
laid hold on ye  
Covent. & John  
Blackman pro-  
pounded for it.  
Nov. 5 Publ.  
Thanksg.

Old m<sup>r</sup> John Birds  
wife & old m<sup>r</sup> Wm  
Royal died.

John Blackman jun<sup>r</sup>  
laid hold on ye Cov-  
ent Nov. 15. 1724

January 10 Sarah  
Bradly p<sup>r</sup>ounded  
for full Comunion  
Sarah wife of J.  
Bradly admitted to  
full Com:

Sam<sup>l</sup> Bishop & His  
wife admitted to full  
Comun: 21 febr:

1724/25.  
John Andrews wife  
Admitted to full  
Comun. May. 1725.

Abraham How &  
John Blake ad-  
mitted to full Com-  
union June 27. 1725.

Aug. 22. 1725.  
A Letter read from  
Bristol but the Ch<sup>h</sup>  
of Dorchester would  
not send messengers  
to ye Council.

Mary daughter of  
Ebene<sup>r</sup> Maudsley  
admitted to full  
Com.

Mary wife of Ebene<sup>r</sup>  
Holmes admitted to  
lay hold of ye Cove-  
nant Sept. 26. 1725.

Oct. 3. voted yt the  
Elders & Deacons  
should go the Coun-  
cil at or village Oct.  
13.

Oct. 31 John An-  
drews adm<sup>d</sup> to full  
Comunion.

Nov. 14 Edward  
Kelton & Mary His  
wife laid hold on ye  
Covenant.

Oct. 31. The Elders  
& Deacons Chosen  
for ye Ordination of  
m<sup>r</sup> Ezra Carpenter  
at Hull to be Nov.  
24. D. p<sup>t</sup>.

Dec. 12. Elisabeth  
wife of Wm With-  
ington admitted to  
full Comunion.

Dec. 13. Lydia wife  
of Nathan Bradley  
p<sup>r</sup>ounded for full  
Comunion.

Admitted Janty 10th.  
Hopeskill Leeds ad-  
mitted to full Com-  
union Jan. 16.

John Son of John Blackman Jun<sup>r</sup> 15 Nov. 1724

Anne daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Capen } 15. 9<sup>th</sup>. 1724  
who was son of John Capen

Jemimah daughter of Charles Davenport 18.

Jan<sup>ry</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 24

Sarah daughter of John Humfrey. 24 January  
17<sup>th</sup> 24

Jesse Son of Hezekiah Barber feb. 7. 17<sup>th</sup> 24

Ephraim Son of Jirijah Wales feb. 28 17<sup>th</sup> 24

Sarah daughter of John Bradley feb. 28. 17<sup>th</sup> 24

Josiah son of Nathan Bradley Apr. ult. or May

Ebenezer son of m<sup>r</sup> S. Pain of Braintree May  
16. 1725.

Elisabeth daughter of Lt. Wiswell. June. 13.  
1725.

Abigail daughter of Benj. Bird — June. 27. 1725.

Edward Son of Aaron Bird — June. 27. 1725.

Hannah Daughter of John Blake. June. 27.  
1725.

Eleanor daughter of Ebenezer Jones. July. 10.  
1725.

William Son of John Andrews baptised July.  
18. 1725.

Joseph Son of Jonathan Chandler July. 25. 1725.

Elijah Son of Thomas Glover. — July. 25. 1725.

Sarah Daughter of John Capen — Aug. 1.  
1725.

Mary daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Paul jun<sup>r</sup>. Aug. 22. 1725.

Ebenezer Son of — Knap — Aug. 22. 1725.

His mother belonging to the Church of York.

Beulah daughter of James Foster Aug. 29. 1725.

Thomas Son of James Blake jun<sup>r</sup>. Sep. 26.  
1725.

Elisabeth Daughter of William Withington  
Oct<sup>r</sup>. 3<sup>d</sup>. 1725.

Elisabeth daughter of Samuel Bishop bapt<sup>d</sup>.

Oct. 31. 1725.

Ruth daughter of Ebenezer Holmes baptiz<sup>d</sup>.

Nov. 14. 1725.

Christian daughter of Samuel Trot baptized

Nov. 17. 1725.

Oliver Son of Eb. Wiswel Nov. 28. 1725

Edward Son of Edw<sup>d</sup> Kelton Dec. 7. 1725



1725/26.  
Jos. viles layd hold  
on ye Covenant  
Jan<sup>y</sup> 30.  
Thomas Maudsly  
Jun<sup>r</sup> & his wife laid  
hold of ye Coven<sup>t</sup>  
March 6, 1725/26.  
March. 13. Jonathan  
Payson laid hold on  
ye Covenant.  
Then read a Procla-  
mation for a Publ.  
Fast to be March 24  
The Congregation  
voted a Contribution  
then to be for m<sup>r</sup>  
moody for Provi-  
dence  
A printed Letter was  
read for an Evangeli-  
cal Treasury.  
Honoured Elder  
Preston thought to  
be dying  
He deceased at night  
to our et Losse &  
His 2<sup>d</sup> Gain.  
March 1726 M<sup>r</sup>  
Glover died in Lon-  
don

March. 24. Publ.  
Fast Contributed  
12li 5<sup>h</sup> & more.  
Israel Leadbetter ad-  
mitted to full Comu-  
nion Apr. 17. 1726.  
Steven Fowler &  
Eliis. his wife laid  
hold on ye Covenant  
June 19. 1726.  
Aug. 14. 1726 Vileta  
a negro woman, laid  
hold on ye Coven<sup>t</sup> &  
confessed fornication  
Aug. 21. 1726. m<sup>r</sup>  
Humfrey Aberton  
Confessed Drunk-  
enn &c.  
Aug<sup>t</sup>. 23. Capt.  
Paul died.  
The Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> The-  
ophilus Cotton of  
Hampton died abt.  
3 weeks since. &  
the Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup>. White  
was buried Sept. 5.  
1726.  
Samuel Clan and  
Mindwell His wife  
admitted to full Com-  
union Oct. 2. 1726.  
A letter to ye Ch<sup>h</sup>  
read Oct. 16. to re-  
quest y<sup>u</sup> to send  
Messengers to ye  
Council at Sandwich.  
ye Ch<sup>h</sup> refused.  
A letter to ye  
Churches read Oct.  
23 to send to ye Ordi-  
nation at Braintree  
of m<sup>r</sup> Hancock The  
Church voted to send  
ye Pastor & Deacons.

Amy daughter of Ralph Morgan Jan<sup>y</sup> 2. 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Hesth<sup>r</sup> daughter of John Cocks Jan<sup>y</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Rebecca daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup>. Blackman Jan. 9.  
17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Mary daughter of Josiah Blackman Jan. 16.  
17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Rebecca daughter of William Cocks January  
23. 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Joseph viles baptized Jan<sup>y</sup> 30. 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Joseph Son of John Maudsley Jan. 30.  
Susan Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Capen Jan. 30.  
& grand daughter of m<sup>r</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> Capen 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Timothy Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Capen Feb. 6,  
Grandson of m<sup>r</sup> John Capen 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Hannah daughter of John Glover Feb. 13.  
Josiah Son of Jos. Leeds 13 Feb. 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Thomas Son of Israel Leadbett<sup>r</sup> 6. march 17<sup>25</sup>/<sub>26</sub>  
Elisabeth daughter of Eb. Maudsly Jun<sup>r</sup> 6  
march  
Ebenezer Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Cocks. March. 26. 1726  
of Jonath. Payson April. 17. 1726  
Mary daughter of N. Wales baptized at Brain-  
trey by o<sup>r</sup> pastor April 24. 1726  
Submit daughter of John Woodward baptized  
May 1. 1726  
Abigail daughter of Jonathan Dire. May. 29.  
1726.  
James Son of John Wiswell. June 26. 1726  
Mary daughter of Matthias Evans July. 10.  
1726  
Johanna daughter of Jos. Trescot July. 10. 1726.  
Vileta a negro woman Aug. 14. 1726  
Jonathan son of Jos. Bird. Aug. 21. 1726  
Mary D. of Capt. Spur Aug. 28. 1726  
Abigail daughter of Daniel Preston Aug. 28.  
1726  
Clement Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Toplif Sept. 11. 1726  
Samuel Son of Nath<sup>l</sup> Holmes Sept. 11. 1726  
Joseph Son of Jos. Cocks Sept<sup>r</sup>. 11. 1726  
Hannah Daughter of Benj. Bird baptized Oct.  
2. 1726  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Bird Oct 30 1726  
Ezra Son of James Swift Oct. 30. 1726  
Publ. Thanksgiving Nov. 10. 1726.





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## Baptized in Dorchester N.E.

The Revd mr Zech.  
Whitman of Hull  
Aged 82 yr deceased  
Nov. 5. 1726 Vir  
Pius, Humilis or-  
thodoxus, Utilissi-  
mus.

At a Publick  
Thanksgiving Con-  
tributed for ye  
widow Birch  
Eleven pounds.

11. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1726. A  
lett<sup>r</sup> from Sundry  
in Sandwich desir-  
ing ye Church to  
send Delegates to  
sit in Council there  
ye 2d Wednesday  
in May. Left to  
Consideration.

15. Decr. 1726.  
Dyed Wid. Tolman  
Aged 82 yr. & m<sup>r</sup>  
Sam Withington  
Aged 43 years.

22 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1726. Wm  
Weeks manifested  
His repentance for  
fornication before  
marriage & was  
propounded to Lay  
hold on ye Covent.  
A Contribution for  
Charles King feb.  
9. 1726.

febr. 5. 1726/27  
Adm<sup>d</sup> to full Com:  
Mr. Phillis Pavson  
& Ebenr. Daven-  
port Jun<sup>r</sup>

Ichabod Maxfeild  
owned ye Covent.

Abigail wife of  
John Blake ad-  
mitted to full Com-  
union March 19.

1726/7 Ebenr.  
Paul & s wife adm.  
to full Communion

25. March. 1727

April 2. 1727 voted  
yt m<sup>r</sup> withington  
sent wth ye Dea-  
cons & Pastor go  
to ye Council at  
Sandwich wch  
is to be May 9th  
next.

April 23 The Ques-  
tion being put  
whether ye

Church would send  
messengers to ye  
Council next

wednesday at Mil-  
ton about Punka-  
pog Case It was  
voted in ye nega-  
tive.

m<sup>rs</sup> Mehetabel  
Danforth died.  
May. 1.

Mindwell daughter of Samuel Clap baptized.  
13. 9<sup>m</sup> 1726.

Hannah daughter of E. Clap baptized. 20. 9<sup>m</sup>  
1726.

Susannah daughter of John Blackman. 20. 9<sup>m</sup>  
1726

Katherine daughter of Ephraim Payson bap-  
tized 20 9<sup>m</sup> 1726

Edward Son of Jos. Basse.— 27. 9<sup>m</sup> 1726

Katherine daughter of John Brown. 11. 10<sup>m</sup>. 1726

W<sup>m</sup> Weeks laid hold on ye Covent- & was bap-  
tized Jan. 29. 17<sup>26</sup><sub>27</sub>

Anne daughter of Tho. Cocks Jan<sup>y</sup> 29. 17<sup>26</sup><sub>27</sub>

John Wiswel son of Enoch Wiswel  
was baptized — feb. 19. 17<sup>26</sup><sub>27</sub>

Dorcas daughter of Timothy How  
was baptized feb. 19. 17<sup>26</sup><sub>27</sub>



June 11. 1727. Admitted to Full Communion George Payson & His wife. Admitted unto Full Comm. Nath. Holmes & His wife, and laid hold on ye Covenant John Day. June 25. July 2. 1727. Sarah wife of Wm Weeks Confessed fornication before marriage. Then ye Result of ye Council for Sandwich was related to ye Chh. viz. yt mr Fessenden should be deposed from ye Ministry till His Scandal He had made Confession to ye Chh<sup>s</sup> should be removed. Josiah Blake & His wife & Anne Wiswell wife of Ebenezer Wiswell admitted to full Communion 30. 5m. 1727. Aug. 13. 1727. Upon a Letter from ye Chh of Sandwich & from mr Thacher ye moderator of ye Council for Sandwich twas voted yt our Chh<sup>s</sup> Messengers should meet at Boston ye Next Tuesday in Council, abt. Sandwich Troubles. Oct. 3: the Sandwich-Council at Boston dissolved & no result to effect. John Day laid hold on ye Covenant. Oct. 1. 1727. Oct. 22. 1727. John Maxfield junr. & Stoughton Danforth admitted to full Communion. John Maxfields wife propounded for full Communion Oct 29. 1727 at 3 quarters of an hour past 10 at night there was a gt earthquake. The Gracious Lord have mercy upon Us, for Xt Jesus Sake. Amen. The Earth has been shaking daily at times unto ye friday following. Nov. 7. 1727 Fast at Dorchr because

Samuel Son of Sam<sup>l</sup> Bishop was baptized — feb. 19. 17<sup>26</sup>/<sub>27</sub>  
 Samuel Son of Jonathan Capen was Baptized Apr. 2. 1727  
 Esther daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen baptized. April. 9. 1727.  
 Thomas Son of Ichabod Maxfield Baptized April 23. 1727.  
 Henry Son of Comfort Foster baptized. April 30. 1727.  
 Anne daughter of Jonathan Payson, baptized. May. 7. 1727  
 Mary, daughter of Thomas Bird— May. 28. 1727  
 Mary Daughter of Samuel Jones — June. 11. 1727.  
 Elijah Son of Ebenezer Jones. July 2. 1727  
 Johanna daughter of John Day. July 2. 1727  
 Josiah Son of Josiah Blackman. July 16. 1727.  
 Rebecca daughter of Nathan Bradley. July 30. 1727  
 George Son of Jonathan Kelton. Aug. 6. 1727  
 Thomas Son of John Humfry. Aug. 6. 1727  
 Communion Day  
 William } Children  
 Lemuel } of william  
 Abigail } Weeks. Aug. 13. 1727  
 Ebenezer Son of Ebenezer Holmes. Aug. 13. 1727  
 Abigail daughter of Elisha Davenport. Sept. 3. 1727  
 Elisabeth daughter of Jos. Ward. Oct. 8. 1727  
 Eliz. Daughter of Tho Glover. Oct 15. 1727  
 Samuel Son of John Maxfield junior, Oct 29. 1727  
 Elizabeth daughter of John Capen — Nov. 5. 1727  
 Waitstill Daughter of Charles Davenport Nov. 12. 1727



of ye Earthquake.  
 Ordination of Mr  
 Dunbar at Stoughton to be Nov. 15.  
 The Chh Sent ye  
 Elders & Deacons  
 to it.  
 Publick Thanks-  
 giving Nov. 9.  
 Then Collected for  
 Jos. Andrews 7<sup>li</sup>  
 2<sup>sh</sup> 6d.

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## Baptized

Nov. 14. 1727 The Revd Mr  
 Samuel Danforth Pastor of ye  
 Chh in Tanton deceased to ye  
 publick Losse.

The Same Day Capt. Foster  
 of Dorche<sup>r</sup> was buried.

Dec. 3. 1727 Ruth wife of  
 John Maxfield Junr admitted  
 to full Comunion & Susanna  
 Richards made Confession of  
 High Breach of 1<sup>st</sup> Command  
 & ye Chh accepted it if Her  
 following life be Christ.

Dec. 17 The Revd Mr Thatcher  
 of Milton deceased.

Timothy Tilestone Junr &  
 His wife & Edw<sup>d</sup>. Keltons  
 wife & Elis. Withington ad-  
 mitted to full Comunion Dec.  
 10. 1727.

Alice wife of Ed. Foster ad-  
 mitted to full Comunion 31.  
 10<sup>th</sup>. 1727

January. 8. 1727. Admitted to  
 full Comunion Mary wife of  
 John Stiles; Joseph Leeds  
 Jun. & Priscilla His wife,  
 Thankfull wife of Eb. Cocks  
 Consider Jones & His wife,  
 Eb. Bird & Benj. Smith Jos.  
 Bird & His wife Confessed

forfein before marriage

Janry. 12 propounded for full  
 Com: Sarah wife of J. Tres-  
 cot Junr March. 1. 1727/28 At  
 a Church meeting on fryday.

Admitted to Full Comunion  
 Elijah Danforth Esquire Mr  
 John Capen. Mr Timothy How  
 Mr John Cocks. Mary Prown  
 wid. Ruth Bird. Hephz. Cocks  
 Elis. Capen Sarah Maudsley  
 Hannah Baker. Anna Withington  
 Mary Baker Meher. Paul  
 Junr. Sarah Swift. Sarah Blake  
 & the Church Meeting ad-  
 journed to this day six weeks  
 & 15 more were propounded  
 for full Comunion Mr. Obed  
 Swift, Richd Haws Thomas  
 Evans Matthias Evans Thank-  
 full Evans Jos. Hall Eben:  
 Williams John Beiton Ralf  
 Morgan Comfort Foster Sil-  
 lence Hall Marv Williams  
 Anna Morgan Elis: Beiton  
 Abiel Foster.

John Son of John Wales

Nov. 26. 1727

Noah Son of Ebenezer Wis-

well Dec. 3. 1727

Mary daughter of George

Payson

Baptized 31. 10<sup>th</sup>. 1727

James Son of Samuel Capen

Baptized 31. 10<sup>th</sup>. 1727

Feb. 18. 1727/8 Baptized of

Matthias Evans.

Feb. 25. 1727/28 Baptized

Ralph Son of Tho. Blakeman

Timothy Son of Tim. Tileston

Jun. George Son of James

Bird.

March 3. 1727/8 Baptized  
 Christian daughter of Ebene-

zer Cocks.

March 10 Baptized Benjamin

Son of Joseph Cocks.

March 17. Baptized Elisabeth

Daughter of Jos. Trescot

March 24 Baptized Hannah

Child of Jno Blackman &

Abigail Child of John Wood-

ward Baptized Jane Daughter

of Edw. Kelton 12. 2<sup>nd</sup>. 1728.

Baptized Ebenezer Son of

Isiah Wales May 19 —

Baptized Samuel Son of Dea-

con Nathl. Topliff. May 26.

1728.

Baptized June 2 Thomas

Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Maudsley Junr

and Margaret daughter of

Consider Leeds.

Admitted to full Com: Jan.

13. 1727/28

Mr Preserved Capen & His  
 wife.

Mr Sam<sup>l</sup> Humfry

Mr Ed: Kelton

Mrs Elis. Preston

Mrs Hannah Pakr

Mrs Ruth Bird

Mrs Susan Humfry

Elijah Weeks

Admitted to f: Com. January

14. 1727: 8.

Mrs Mary Leadbetr wife of

Mr Israel L.

Mr Consider Leeds & His

wife

Mrs Hanah Clap daught<sup>r</sup> of

Mr Eben<sup>r</sup> Clap.

Admitted to full Com<sup>n</sup>.

March 3. 1727/28.

Mr Obidiah Swift, Mr Mat-

thias Evens Mrs Ralf Mor-

gan. Mrs Silence Hall wife of

Mr Hall. Mrs Thankfull

Evans wife of Mr Tho. Evans,

Mrs Anna Morgan wife of

Mr Morgan.

March 10. Admitted to full

Comunion Mr Joseph Hall,

Mr Richard Haws, Mr Tho.

Evans Mrs Susana Wiswell

wife of Enoch Wiswell.

March 17 Admitted to full

Comunion Eben. Williams &

His wife



To be propounded  
Enoch Wiswels wife Susana

March 24 Propounded m<sup>r</sup> Wm Clap m<sup>rs</sup> White M<sup>rs</sup> Hannah Glover m<sup>rs</sup> Elis. wife of Tho<sup>s</sup> Glover Eliz. wife of Wm Clap Martha wife of Tho<sup>s</sup> Pimer Rebecca & Deborah Twins of R. Searies. Submit daughter of Isaac How Lydia daughter of Nathaniel Bradley

April. 12. 1728 Propounded for full Communion. Berj. Ball's wife Tho<sup>s</sup> Blakemans wife.  
May 5. Contributed for Josiah Blackman 12<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, & 10<sup>th</sup> more.

The LORD accept it. Amen  
m<sup>r</sup> Withams dismission to Gloster dated June. 1.  
Propounded for full Com: widow Content Mason. June 23. 1728.

Isaac Humfry Jun<sup>r</sup>'s wife accounted near Expiration. our God & Redeem<sup>r</sup> be gracious to her.

Sept. 8. 1728. Died old m<sup>rs</sup> Toplis a Godly Matron Aged. 78. yr.

Sept. 15. 1728. Died m<sup>r</sup> James Bage 36 who never had (as is said) a fit of Sicknesse before.

Sept. 29. 1728 Richard Humfrys laid hold on ye Covenant.

Oct. 20. 1728 There was read a Proclamation for a Publick Thanksgiving to be observed on Nov. 7. 1728.

Nov. 7. 1728. Then Contributed for Josiah Blackman fifteen pound.

Nov: 10. admitted to full Communion m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Blake & m<sup>r</sup> James Trot.

The 2 Aged Widow m<sup>rs</sup> Haws lately died & old widow m<sup>rs</sup> Hensha a little before in Decr.

Baptized June 23. Nath<sup>l</sup> Son of John Capen.

Baptized July 7.  
Abigail daughter of John Glover & Nathan Son of N. Bradly jun<sup>r</sup>.

Baptized July 28. 1728. John ye Son of John Robinson jun<sup>r</sup>.

Bapt. Sept. 1. 1728 Rebecca of John Triscot.

Baptized Sept. 8. 1728 Susannah daughter of Susannah Richards.

Bapt. Sept. 15. 1728 Mary daughter of Jos. Basse David Son of Timo. How Josiah Son of Tho<sup>s</sup> Pimer.

Sept. 29. 1728. Baptized Susannah daughter of Rich<sup>d</sup> Humfrys.

Abigail daughter of m<sup>r</sup> Durin or Turin & Nathanael Son of Nath<sup>l</sup> Holmes baptized 13. 8. 1728.

Susannah daughter of Jonas Humfrey 20. 8. 1728.

Silence daughter of James Swift 10. 9<sup>th</sup>. 1728

8. 10<sup>th</sup>. 1728 Jonathan Son of

Jonathan Payson

Saml Son of Saml Clap

baptized 22. 10. 1728

James Son of Saml Capen

Jan<sup>y</sup> 5. 1728/29.

Friday April. 12. 1728 Admitted to full Communion John Baiton Comfort Foster John Wales Wm Clap Eben<sup>r</sup> Wiswell. Mary Horton. Mary Evans. Sarah Capen Elis. Baiton. Patience White Judith Baker Ruth Wales. Elis. Clap wife of w<sup>m</sup> Clap. Abiel Foster. Elis. Glover wife of Tho<sup>s</sup> Glover. Martha Pimer. Hannah Clap wife of E. Clap jun<sup>r</sup>: Rebecca & Deborah Searles Submit How: Lydia Bradly.

May 26. Madam Gillam & Madam Taler admitted to full Communion & also m<sup>rs</sup> Hanah Glover —

May 19 Admitted to full Communion John Robinson jun<sup>r</sup> & Susan his wife & Mary Preston

June 30 Content Mason admitted to full Com.

July 14. 1729 Memorandum The Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr John Williams of Deerfield & ye Reverend Mr Flowers of Beverly & the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr Cotton of Bristol are lately Deceased to y<sup>e</sup> Great Losse of our Churches.

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### Baptized

Febr. 2. admitted to full Communion Jos. Weeks Jun<sup>r</sup>, and Mary wife of Eben<sup>r</sup> Holms jun<sup>r</sup>. & Then laid hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant Thomas Mitchel & Jacob Shore.  
Febr. 10. 1728/29. The Aged m<sup>r</sup> Ebenezer Whittington died.

Febr. 16. m<sup>r</sup> Ebr: Clap & m<sup>r</sup> Philip Payson Chosen to go to Taunton to the Ordination of m<sup>r</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Clap on

January. 19. 1728 Abigail daughter of Eb<sup>r</sup>. Clap Jun<sup>r</sup>— Priscilla daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Bird Jan. 26. 1728.

Unite Son of John Brown. Feb. 2. 1728.

Jacob Shore (called Shaw) baptized Feb. 2. 1728

Esther daughter of John Wiswel Feb. 9. 1728

John Son of Tho. Michel baptized feb. 9. 1728

John Son of Daniel Preston Baptized March 2<sup>d</sup>. 1728

Bernard Son of John Capen &





Feb. 26 Si Deus  
licet with ye or-  
dained officers of  
ye Church.

March 2 A Procla-  
mation read for a  
Publick Fast to be  
on March. 20.

1728/29.  
& then votes to be  
brought in for a  
first man to be put  
on probation for a  
minister to be a  
Colleague with or  
Pastor.

March. 9. Phebe  
Andrews mani-  
fested Repentance  
of fornication.

March 20 m<sup>r</sup> Jona-  
than Bowman was  
Nominated to be ye  
first man on pro-  
bation for a Col-  
league with or Pas-  
tor. He had 41  
votes

March. 23. m<sup>r</sup>  
Phillips Payson  
was nominated to  
be ye 2<sup>d</sup> man for  
probation. He had  
35 votes. m<sup>r</sup> Byles  
was nominated to  
be ye 3<sup>d</sup> man. He  
had 21 or 22 votes.

13. April. 1729.  
Sarah How was  
admitted to full  
Communion. & Su-  
sannah Tolman  
made Confession  
of fornication &  
Lying.

May 11. 1729  
Gratia Dei, m<sup>r</sup>  
Jonathan Bowman  
was Chosen a Col-  
league Pastor in  
this Church & 77  
votes were given,  
51 of ym for Him.  
May 16. m<sup>rs</sup> Hum-  
fry daughter of  
Deacon Capen  
dyed. Aged &  
Pious.

July 13. 1729 M<sup>r</sup>  
John Baker & His  
sister ye wife of  
m<sup>r</sup> Hopestill Capen  
admitted to full  
Communion.

Contributed for  
Joseph Ward Nine-  
teen pounds 8 sh.

July. 27. 1729.  
Mehatabel and  
Mary Newel had  
hold on ye Cove-  
nant Aug. 24. 1729.  
Nov. 1. the Revd  
m<sup>r</sup> Bowman was  
admitted to full  
Comanion.

Susannah daughter of Jonathan Capen both  
baptized March 16. 17<sup>28</sup>/<sub>29</sub>

Susannah daughter of Joseph Viles

Baptized March 23. 17<sup>28</sup>/<sub>29</sub>

John Son of Benj : Bird. May 4. 1729.

Lemuel Son of m<sup>r</sup> Collick May 25. 1729.

Matthew Son of Aaron Bird June 22, 1729

Mary daughter of Consider Leeds June 29 1729

Sarah daughter of Elisha Davenport June 29  
1729

Patience Daughter of John Day baptized July  
13 1729

Abigail daughter of Eben. Holmes Aug 3. 1729

Mary Newel baptized Aug. 29.

Anna of James Foster Jun<sup>r</sup> Aug. 24. 1729

Abigail of Sam<sup>l</sup>: Bishop Sept. 28.

Eben<sup>r</sup> Son of Eben<sup>r</sup> Withington baptized Sept.  
19. by m<sup>r</sup> Dunbar in Dorch.

A Daughter of John Cock was

Baptized Nov. 9. 1729

They call Her Name Mercy Cock.

William Son of Joseph Basse

Baptized by m<sup>r</sup> Bowman 16. 9. 1729

Daniel Son of Ebenezer Wiswell 30 9. 1729

& W<sup>m</sup> Son of Nathan Bradley Senior 30. 9. 1729

Anne daughter of Comfort Foster 7 : 10<sup>m</sup>. 1729

Mary Daughter of William Withington 7. 10<sup>m</sup>.  
1729

Eliz : daught<sup>r</sup> of J. Maxfield 25. 10. 1729

Susan daughter of J. Wales 5 march

Charles of Charles Davenport 5 march

Mary Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> humfrey baptized april  
12. 1730

Christopher son of John Capen april 26, 1730.

william Son of John Humfrey

Sam<sup>l</sup> Son of John Blackman Jun<sup>r</sup> &

William Son to Enoch Wiswall all

baptized May 3, 1730.

Ruth Daughter of Benjamin Bird.

Moses-Paul Son of Jonathan Payson &

Isaac son of Sam<sup>l</sup>. whales all

baptized May 24. 1730

Isaac Son of Eben : Davenport May 31, 1730.



May 17. 1730 Jona-  
than Payson of  
Boston owned y<sup>e</sup>  
Covenant.

May 31. 1730 Mr  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Maudsley  
Matthew Pimar &  
Sarah Viles admitted  
to full communion

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	{	Sam <sup>l</sup> . - Winthrop, Son of Sam <sup>l</sup> :
		Royal
June 7, 1730 baptized		Jona <sup>th</sup> : Son of Jonathan Kelton
		Rebeckah, Daughter of Consider Leeds
June 14. 1730 Abraham, Son of Abraham How		

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17. 1. 93      Seats      5. 10. 98  
                 at the TABLE

## THE FORMER SEATING

## THE NEW SEATING

Father Tilestone  
Isaac Jones  
James White  
Jacob Hewens  
Henry Leadbett<sup>r</sup>  
William Trescot  
Thomas Peirce  
David Jones  
John Wales  
Joseph Leeds &  
Thomas Tolman  
& their two Fath<sup>r</sup>s  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Trott Sen<sup>r</sup>

Isaac Jones  
Tho. Pearce  
Henry Leadbett<sup>r</sup>  
Jacob Hewens  
James White  
John Wales  
Tho. Tolman  
Jos. Leeds  
Nath. Clap  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Capen  
Eben. Billings  
Rog<sup>r</sup> Billings

## Deacons Seat &amp; the End next to it

Deacon Preston  
Deacon Topliffe  
Deacon Hopestill Clap  
Elice Woods  
Robert Spur  
Thomas Maudsly

Deacon Preston  
Deacon Topliff  
Deacon Clap  
Ro: Spur Sen<sup>r</sup>  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Maudsly  
Israel How.



## Men's first Seat below

1 Capt : Clap	Major Clap
2 Lt : Tilestone	Serj. Wiswall
3 Ensign Foster	Capt. L <sup>t</sup> . Foster
4 Serjeant Wiswall	Samuel Robinson
5 Samuel Robinson	S <sup>t</sup> . Billinge
6	
7	
8	

## Second Men's Seat below

1. Nath : Clap	Thomas Bird
2. John Bird	Jn <sup>o</sup> Bird
3. James Bird	Serj <sup>t</sup> . James Bird
4	Serj <sup>t</sup> . Samuel Capen
5 Samuel Sumn <sup>r</sup>	Serj <sup>t</sup> . Hopestil Humfry
6 Increase Sumn <sup>r</sup>	Serj <sup>t</sup> . Standfast Foster
7 John Capen	Dan <sup>t</sup> : Preston
8 Samuel Capen	

Front Gallery of Men next to y<sup>e</sup> Women

John Tolman	James Blake
Daniel Preston	John Blake
James Blake jun <sup>r</sup>	Phillip Withington
Roger Billindge	Rob <sup>t</sup> Spur
Standfast Fost <sup>r</sup>	Samuel Wales
Tho. Trott jun <sup>r</sup>	Eben : Withington
Phil. Withington	Desire Clap
Robert Spur jun <sup>r</sup>	Preserved Capen

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## ffront Gallery East part

1 M <sup>r</sup> Lord	Charles Davenport
2 M <sup>r</sup> Clap	Jonath. Hall
3 Isaac Ryoll	James Bak <sup>r</sup> Sen <sup>r</sup> .
4 Jn <sup>o</sup> Bird	Samuell Trott
5 James Bird	John Trescot
6 Ephraim Payson	Eben : Davenport
7 Samuel Payson	Noah Beamon
8 Jn <sup>o</sup> Blake	Oliv <sup>r</sup> Wiswall
9 Preserved Capen	
10 Desire Clap	
11 Ebenezer : Withington	





## The Third Seat below      Mens

W <sup>m</sup> Prat	Tho Andrews
Sam : Capen	Rob <sup>t</sup> Searle
Nath Glover	Benj. Leeds
W <sup>m</sup> Rawson	W <sup>m</sup> & Isaac Ryoll
Hopest. Humfry	Isaac Humfry
Tho <sup>s</sup> Andrews	
Ro : Searle	

## The fourth mens below

Eb : Williams	Richard Evans
Tho Bird	Ephr : Payson
W <sup>m</sup> Ryoll	John Blackman
✓ Israel How	Sam : Jones
Richard Evans	Walt <sup>r</sup> Everinden
James Robinson	Rob <sup>t</sup> Field
Benjamin Leeds	Eben : Jones
	Jn <sup>o</sup> Pearce
	D <sup>r</sup> Smith.

## East Gallery first Seat Northdly

Isaac Humphrey	John Minot
Sam : Trot	Edw. Breck
Oliv <sup>r</sup> Wiswall	Sam Paul
Charles Davenport	Humfry Atherton
James Baker	John Davenport
Jn <sup>o</sup> Blackman	Sam : Web.
Noah Beamon	Sam : Clap
Eb : Davenport	Jonath. Jones
Jno : Trescott	Joseph Leeds jun
	Nath. Butt
	Jos. Hall

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## East Gallery South Part first Seat

Jn <sup>o</sup> Wiswall	Thomas Lion
Eben : Jones	Jos. Blake
Tho : Lyon	Jos. Bird
Jos. Blake	Jos. Weeks
Jos. Bird	Eben <sup>r</sup> Holmes
Jos. Hewens	Tho : Maudsly Jun.
Jos. Weeks	John Tollman
Eben : Holmes	James Hawes
Tho Maudsley Jun <sup>r</sup>	Benj. Blackman
Jonath Hall	Obad : Swift



## The fifth Seat Mens = below

Sam : Wales	Sam : Hix
W <sup>m</sup> Chaplin	Dennis Maroh
Sam <sup>l</sup> Jones	Peter Hix
Peter O'Kelly	Oniseph : Tilstone
Sam Maxfeild	Smith Woodward
Sam : Hix	Jos. Hewens
Rob <sup>t</sup> Cook	Sam : Capen jun <sup>r</sup>
	R. Cook sen

## The Sixth Seat below

Nathan Bradley Sen <sup>r</sup>	N. Bradly sen
Tho <sup>s</sup> Robinson	Tho <sup>s</sup> Robinson
Rob <sup>t</sup> Stiles	Rob <sup>t</sup> Stiles
Samuel Chandl <sup>r</sup> =	John Plum
Jn <sup>o</sup> Plum.	Sam. Chandl <sup>r</sup>
Tho <sup>s</sup> Evans	Tho <sup>s</sup> : Evans
Nath. Lyon	Benj. Merrifield
	Tim : Tilstone

The 7<sup>th</sup> Seat below

Oniseph : Tilestone	James Bishop
Sam : Hill	Nath. Wiatt
Walt : Everindall	Jos. Angier
Nat <sup>h</sup> : Wyatt	Rob <sup>t</sup> Cook jun
James Bishop	John Baker
Smith Woodward	Eben Maudsly
Josh : Story	N Bradly jun
Benj. Merrifeild.	

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## First Seat of Womens below

M <sup>rs</sup> Fost <sup>r</sup>	Old M <sup>rs</sup> Fost <sup>r</sup>
M <sup>rs</sup> Capen	M <sup>rs</sup> Capen
M <sup>rs</sup> Blake	M <sup>rs</sup> Blake
M <sup>rs</sup> Withington	M <sup>rs</sup> Withington
Moth <sup>r</sup> Trot	M <sup>rs</sup> Trot
Deacons Wives	M <sup>rs</sup> Wiswall
Capt : Claps Wife	

## Second Seat Womens below

Lt. Tilestones wife	Isaac Jones wife
Widow Bak <sup>r</sup>	wid : Tilestone
Moth <sup>r</sup> Pierson or Payson	Sam Robinsons wife



M<sup>rs</sup> Jones  
Sam : Robinsons wife

M<sup>rs</sup> Breck  
Tho Pierces wife  
Capt Lt Fost's wife  
M<sup>rs</sup> Leadbett<sup>r</sup>

First Seat in : Gallery next y<sup>e</sup> Pulpitt

Ens : ffostr's wife  
Serj : Leadbett<sup>rs</sup> wife  
Ephr : Paysons wife  
Sam : Paysons wife  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Blakes wife  
Ebe<sup>a</sup> : Holmes Wife  
Widow Withington  
Charles Davenports wife  
Hopeskill Humfreys wife  
Desire Claps wife

Ephr. Paisons wife  
Serj. Humfrys wife  
John Blakes wife  
Desire Claps wife  
Charles Davenports wife  
Rog<sup>r</sup> Billinges wife  
Sam. Wales wife  
Jonath. Halls wife  
Eben Holms wife  
Widow Withington jun  
Sam : Webs wife

first Seat Southw<sup>l</sup> Part

Serj : Wiswall wife  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Tolmans wife  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Birds wife  
James Birds wife  
Nath : Glov's wife  
James Blakes wife  
widow Breck  
Standfast ffostr's wife  
Isaac Humphreys wife  
Samuel Trots wife

John Birds wife  
James Birds wife  
James Blakes wife  
Isaac Humfrys wife  
Standf. Fost's wife  
Sam Trots wife  
Eben Withingtons wife  
Rob<sup>t</sup> Spurs wife  
Philip Withingtons wife  
Eben Billings wife  
Jos. Halls wife

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The Double Seat at y<sup>e</sup> right hand of y<sup>e</sup> Pulpit

old widow Maxfield  
old mother Wyat  
Jacob Hewens wife  
Widow Pope  
Mother Spur  
Benj. Leeds wife  
John Wales wife  
Tho. Maudsly Sons wife  
Widow Woods  
Widow Swift



The 2<sup>d</sup> Seat to y<sup>e</sup> Double Seat

Old goodwife Bradly  
 Rich<sup>d</sup> Evans wife  
 Sam : Hixes wife  
 Sam : Jones wife  
 Eben. Davenports wife  
 John Davenports wife  
 Nath Beamons wife  
 Robt : Fields wife

Third Seat Womens  
 in y<sup>e</sup> body of y<sup>e</sup> House

Tho Peirces Wife  
 Moth<sup>r</sup> Trescott  
 Widow Weeks  
 Nath : Claps Wife  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Capens Wife

## New Seating

widow weeks  
 Moth<sup>r</sup> Trescott  
 Widow Pond  
 Nath Claps wife  
 Jno Capens wife  
 Dan : Prestons wife  
 James Whites wife

Fourth Seat in y<sup>e</sup> middle of y<sup>e</sup> house

## == New Seating ==

Eben : Williams Wife  
 Tho. Tolmans Wife  
 Sister Prat  
 Sam. Capens wife  
 Increase Sumners wife  
 Preserved Capens Wife

Eb. Will<sup>e</sup> wife  
 widow Baker  
 Serj. Capens Wife  
 T. Tollmas wife  
 Pres. Capens wife  
 Widow Capen  
 Wid. Trot Jun<sup>r</sup>.

The third Seat By y<sup>e</sup> Pulpitt

Mrs Horton  
 Israel Hows wife  
 Oniseph : Tillstons wife  
 Goodwife Hooper  
 Goodwife Maroh  
 John Trescotts wife  
 Sam : Capens wife

Fifth Seat in y<sup>e</sup> midst of y<sup>e</sup> House

## New Seating

Isaac Ryolls wife  
 Bern<sup>d</sup> Capens Widow

wid. Butt.  
 W<sup>m</sup> Ryolls wife





Widdow Trott  
 Ro : Searls wife  
 Ro : Spurs Wife  
 Phil. Withingtons wife

Isaac Ryolls wife  
 Ro : Searls wife  
 Goodwife Henshaw  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Blackmans wife  
 wid. Robinson  
 Tho Andr : wife

The 4<sup>th</sup> Seat by y<sup>e</sup> Pulpit.

James Bishops wife  
 James Barb's wife  
 Tho : Evans wife  
 Rob. Searls wife jun.  
 Tho. Robinsons wife  
 Nath Wyats wife  
 Nathan Bradlys wife

The 6<sup>th</sup> Seat in y<sup>e</sup> body of y<sup>e</sup> house

Nathan Bradlys wife  
 Josh : Henshuas wife  
 Will : Chaplins Wife  
 Ri : Evans wife  
 Sam : Wales wife  
 Sam : Hixes wife  
 Sam : Halls wife

Josh Weeks wife  
 Eben : Jones wife  
 Tho : Lions wife  
 John Pearses wife  
 Jos. Blakes wife  
 Obad : Swifts wife  
 Sam : Pauls wife

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The 7<sup>th</sup> Seat New Seating

W<sup>m</sup> Ryolls Wife  
 Sam : Maxfields wife  
 Sam<sup>l</sup> : Jones wife  
 Peter O Kellys wife  
 Rich<sup>d</sup> : Butts Wife  
 Tho<sup>s</sup> : Robinsons wife  
 Eben<sup>t</sup> : Davenports wife

Jos. Hewens wife  
 Smith Woodward's wife  
 Tim : Tilestones wife  
 Tho. Maudslys wife  
 Wid. Sarah Mosely  
 Jonath. Jones wife  
 John Cocks wife

West Gallery Womens  
 Second Seat next y<sup>e</sup> Pulpitt

New Seating

Tho : Maudsleys wife  
 Jos : Birds wife  
 Wid : Maudesley  
 Jos : Trescotts wife

M<sup>rs</sup> Katharine Remington  
 Widow Hilliard or Helia  
 Widow Goodale  
 Humfry Athertons wife



Jos : Blakes wife  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Blackmans Wife  
 M<sup>rs</sup> Baldwin  
 Widow of Jos. Math<sup>r</sup>.

James Hawes wife  
 Sherebiah Butts wife  
 Ro : Peltons wife

The Same Seat y<sup>e</sup> oth<sup>r</sup> Part of it

Eben : Lyons Wife  
 Jos : Hewens wife  
 James Bishops wife  
 Jos : Weeks wife  
 Smith Woodward's wife  
 Eliz : Weeks  
 Josh : Storys wife  
 Nath Lyons wife  
 Widow Anne Jones.

In y new Seating  
 The Same as before

The 5th Seat by y<sup>e</sup> Pulpitt next y<sup>e</sup> Wall

Benj Merrifields wife

Samuel Hills Wife  
 Sam : Chandlers wife  
 Isaac Hows wife  
 Widow Patten  
 Goodwife Plum.  
 Goodwife Hull : widow  
 Doctor Smiths wife

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intelligence came from ould England that there had beene a battell ffought betweene the Kinge & the p'lement.

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Ordained Ministers in the Church at Dorchester in New England.

- 1 M<sup>r</sup> Warham who removed to Winsor
- 2 M<sup>r</sup> Maverick who deceased in Dorch<sup>r</sup>.

These were Contemporaries.

- 3 M<sup>r</sup> Mather who lived about 34 years in Dorch.
- 4 Contemporary with m<sup>r</sup> Mather was m<sup>r</sup> Bur
- 5 Contemp<sup>y</sup> with m<sup>r</sup> Mather was m<sup>r</sup> Wilson who removed to Medfield.
- 6 M<sup>r</sup> Flint.



The Greater Part of the first Church in Dorchester Removed with m<sup>r</sup> Warham to Windsor: So that they Gatherd a New Church, over whom the Rev.<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> Mather was Ordained Teacher.

Richard Mather. Anagram. A Third Charmer.

Third in New England—Dorchester,  
Was this Ordained Minister.

Second to None, for Fruitfulness,  
Abilities, & Usefulness;

Divine his charms, years Seven times Seven,  
Wise to Win Souls from Earth for Heaven.

Prophets Rewards He Gains above:  
But Great's our Losse by His Remove.

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Sacred to God, His Servant Richard Mather  
Sons like Him, Good & Great, did call Him Father,  
Hard to Discern a Difference in degree  
'Twixt His bright Learning & High Pietie  
Short Time, His Sleeping Dust lies covered down  
So can't His Soul or His Deserv'd Renown.

From's Birth Six Lustres & a Jubile,  
To His Repose: But Labour'd hard in Thee  
(O Dorchester!) Four more than thirty years,  
His Sacred Dust with Thee, Thine Honour rears.

Obit. April. 22. 1669.

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The Deacons Ordination = Charge

May. 3. 1724.

The Glorious King of the Church (& world) the SON of GOD, our LORD JESUS CHRIST Instituted the holy office of Deaconship, by Inspiration to His Apostles, in the Primitive Church: and appointed that even the Gentile-Churches should have Men (Qualified as He has 'specially Directed,) Chosen unto, & Invested with the Said Office. Acts. 6. 3-6. 1 Tim. 3. 8, 9.





Although the office of Deaconship is Ecclesiastical & Sacred, Yet 'tis Specified & Limited unto the Temporal Good Things of the Church, which are offered & dedicated unto the Honour & Service of God, for the Uses of Piety & Charity.

And whosoever are Appointed to this office are to be Helps to y<sup>e</sup> Elders & to the whole Church. 1 Cor. 12. 28.

Of the Churches Outward Treasure; of all Offerings and Gifts (given to the Church for the Supply of outward needs the Care & Management belongs to the Deacons; & therewith the Deacons are to Serve y<sup>e</sup> Tables, which the Church is to Provide for, (saith our Synod Book, call'd y<sup>e</sup> Platform) as Namely the LORD'S Table, the Table of the ministers of the word of God, And of Such as are in Necessity: To whom they are to Distribute in Simplicity, or Singleness of Heart.

Ordination is the Solemn Comitting of office — Ecclesiastical unto Persons to whom that office doth belong; the solemn putting of them into the actual Possession of that Place, Station, Dignity, Trust & Charge in the Church of GOD that they were Chosen to & had Accepted of.

And Ordination is Performed by Laying on the Hands of the Eldership, with Solemn Prayer to GOD in CHRIST, In which Prayer, the Persons on whom the Said Hands are Laid are Solemnly offerd up to GOD in CHRIST, for that office & Service that they are Called unto; and the LORD is earnestly Implored & besought to Accept of Them; and to Assist them, and to make them Blessings therein. Thus by Prayer & laying on of their hands, the Apostles solemnly Installed into the Sacred = office of Deaconship, the first Deacons of the Primitive Church wherefore

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Wherefore the Church of CHRIST in this Place (viz the Elders, Deacons & Fraternity of Fullcommunicants,) having Chosen You, our Dear Brethren M<sup>r</sup> Hopestill Clap & m<sup>r</sup> Nathanael Topliff, on whom we have now Laid our Hands & Prayed, into the office of Deaconship among them, and you having Accepted thereof . . . .

We do in the Name of our LORD Jesus CHRIST, The Glorious Head of the Church in Heaven & on Earth, *Ordain* you to be Deacons of this Church, and Putt You into the Possession & Administration of that — holy & honorable Office of Deaconship in which you are to conjoyn that Aged & Honoured Person who Was in that office before You.



And forasmuch as God hath set you Up in His Church, not to be Letts, but to be Helps, We Solemnly Charge You to watch, & to Pray, & to Labour all that You can, that You may . . . Promote & Further all Religion & Vertue & Charity & Peace & Beneficence among Us; And Uprightly, & Prudently, & Faithfully, & with Great Humility, & yet with liberty & holy Courage, & without Fear, and without Partiality, & in Singleness of Heart, as towards God, Discharge (not only every Part of your work as Christians, But also) every Part of Your Office as Deacons;—accountably to God & OUR LORD JESUS Xt and to your own Consciences, & to the Elders & to the Church;

(by the help of CHRIST;)

And we Assure You (for your Comfort,) that so Using & Discharging the office of Deaconship well, by the Grace & Help of Your Glorious LORD & Ours, You Will (tho' without any proper merit of your own, yet of Gods . . . Infinite Mercy) Purchase or gain or obtain to yourselves a good degree and Great Boldnesse in the Faith. 1 Tim. 3. 13. and when the Great Shepherd shall appear, You shall Receive a Crown of Glory that fadeth not away.  
 . . . . . Amen.

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25 of the 9<sup>mo</sup> 43

the 2 great Gunnes were mounted upō their Carriages & drawne up from the water side:

{ memorandum. The Rev<sup>d</sup> m<sup>r</sup> John Wilson Junior was Pastor of the Church in Dorchester two years before He Removed to Medfield at Medfields Request He was Pastor of Medfield 40 years: ordained at Dorchester 1649. The Lords Day preceeding His Translation He preached both forenoon and afternoon fervently & powerfully. The Lords Day y<sup>t</sup> He Expired, the Greater Part of His Church were present, to behold & Lament His Removal from them. which was on Aug. 23. 91.

1<sup>d</sup> July 1645

in this mo: the elders did meet at Cambridge in mattachusetts baye in N: E to Consider of the motion made amonge the Comissioners of the 4 Confederate Colloneyes: when they did meet at Conecticute viz to thinke of some things that might in ffuture give some testimony from new Engl about the great questio now in debate about church-Government:



& notice hereof was given publikely in the Assembly at Dorchester vicesimo nono: Junii anno 45 that it was intended nothings to bind the churches or inove the practice there of but only private amonge the elders & was no Synod but in such case the churches ought to have notice & to send their comissioners: & so might express at any tyme, but the p'sent notice was that the church might know how to direct their prayer      written y<sup>e</sup> daye abovesaid by me

Jo Wiswall

[A later hand has prefixed the title and filled out the name, making it read "Deacon John Wiswall"!]

Sept. 26. 1725. About a fortnight ago m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Maudsley, m<sup>r</sup> John Preston, mr Soper & mrs Butts Son on a fishing Voyage. went into a Cove at y<sup>e</sup> Eastward in y<sup>r</sup> vessell, with Jos. Maudsleys Servant boy: also mr Honiwell of Boston went in with y<sup>m</sup>, also mr Cocks strove to go in, but y<sup>e</sup> fog hindred Him, & the Indians barbarously murdered all y<sup>t</sup> went in, but y<sup>e</sup> boy. The Boy was Redeemed Anno 1728.

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Feb. 6. 1708<sup>s</sup> Serjeant Hopestill Humfrys & Serjeant James Blake Chosen Deacons

Feb. 13. 1708<sup>s</sup> Joshua Severs Propounded to lay hold on y<sup>e</sup> Covenant = & did so feb. 20

Febr. 20. 1708<sup>s</sup> Serjeant Blake accepted y<sup>e</sup> Deaconship Hopestill Clap & James Blake Ordained to y<sup>r</sup> Several offices it being a fast = Day.

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